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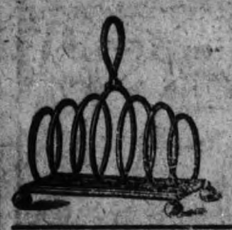
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PREPARATIONS FOR RESISTING POWERS

MOVEMENT A POPULAR ONE IN VENEZUELA

Troops Hurried to La Guayra—British and German Subjects Have Been Released.

(Associated Press.)

La Guayra, Venezula, Dec. 10.—The British cruiser Indefatigable arrived here at 6 o'clock this evening from Guanta, the port of Barcelona, where she is believed to have been in search of the Venezuelan gunboat Restaurador.

The German cruiser Vinetta and the British cruiser Retribution, left here at 6 o'clock this evening. It is supposed they have on board Venezuela's answer to the demand of the foreign powers, which arrived on a special train from Caracas at 2 o'clock.

The German charge d'affaires, Herr Von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, and British Minister Haggard, and the personnel of the British legation, are still on board the warships.

What is termed an inopportune demonstration and the strange method resorted to in the remittance to the Venezuelan foreign minister of the demands of Great Britain and Germany are freely criticized here.

The government has sent 2,000 men and 18 guns from Caracas to reinforce the garrison at La Guayra. These troops are camping to-night at Cuaracuti, distant one hour from La Guayra. All day and all night ammunition has been carried to Fort Lavigia, which crowns the harbor, preparations at which are being made to resist the foreign forces. Volunteers to the number of 926 men, all from La Guayra, have been armed to-day, and more are requesting arms. It is asserted here that the government can find sufficient men to resist the foreign forces, as the movement is popular. Everywhere one meets men of all classes and conditions, carrying Mauser rifles.

The news of the capture at Port of Spain, Trinidad, of the Venezuelan gun boat Bolivar by the British cruiser Charybdis was communicated to President Castro by a representative of the Associated Press. The event created intense excitement.

All the British and German subjects arrested yesterday were released this afternoon.

Troops Arrive.

La Guayra, Venezuela, Dec. 11.—Gen. Ferrer, the minister of war, has arrived here with 2,000 troops. Eight hundred men under President Castro's brother are expected here at 1 o'clock. Only the British cruiser Indefatigable is now here. She is at anchor in the middle of the harbor. All the other warships have left La Guayra.

Minister Haggard and Herr von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, it was learned to-day, left here last night. The former was on board the Retribution and the latter on the Vineta, which sailed for Trinidad.

The Customs Houses.

London, Dec. 11.—In connection with the reported seizure of the Venezuelan customs, the foreign office officials say arrangements for that step have not been completed. Before any general seizure could occur, Germany, Great Britain and other nations would have to come to an agreement for a pro rata division and adjustment of their respective claims, similar to that arrived at by the allies in China, except that the La Guayra custom houses possibly may have been seized as a purely military measure. Although the seizure of the customs houses will take place eventually, it is pointed out while hostilities are in progress the customs, as a fiscal institution, are practically valueless.

Two Vessels Sunk.

London, Dec. 11.—In the House of Commons to-day, under Foreign Secretary Cranborne, confirmed the reports of the capture of three Venezuelan vessels at La Guayra and the disablement of a fourth vessel without resistance, and also confirmed the capture of the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar at Port-of-Spain, Trinidad. Two of the prizes, he added, were sunk.

The under secretary also said that the release of the British subjects arrested at Caracas had been demanded, but that up to that time the government had not been informed that the demand had been complied with. The government had no official information of the reported arrest of the British consul at Caracas. The latest information received was that he left La Guayra yesterday evening. The British subjects arrested had not been harmed.

The under secretary announced also that the British vice-consul at La Guayra and some women and children were taken on board a British man-of-war yesterday evening, and added that it was reported that President Castro held the British and German prisoners as hostages.

Fighting Reported.

London, Dec. 11.—The Central News says it was reported in the lobby of the House of Commons this afternoon that the allies have landed bluejackets at La Guayra for the purpose of affecting the capture of President Castro, and that fighting is going on in the streets.

The foreign office here has no information to this effect.

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THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Hon. A. Elliott Does Not Credit Report That Lord Minto Intends to Resign.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The Hon. Arthur Elliott, M. P., states, according to a London dispatch to the Tribune, that so far as he is aware, there is no foundation for the report that his brother, Lord Minto, is about to resign the governorship of Canada.

TRAIN WRECKED.

Engineer and Flagman Killed—Two Engines and a Dozen Cars Demolished.

(Associated Press.)

Groveland, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Dan Conin, conductor, and Joseph Minister, flagman, of Elmira, were killed in freight wreck near here to-day on the Lackawanna road. Two engines and a dozen cars were demolished. An investigation will be necessary to establish responsibility for the wreck.

ANDREW CARNEGIE

Has Fully Recovered From His Recent Indisposition.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 11.—The White Star line steamer Oceanic, on which Andrew Carnegie was a passenger, arrived today from Liverpool and Queenstown, after a stormy passage of six days, 20 hours and 23 minutes. One steerage passenger died from heart failure. It was stated that Mr. Carnegie has fully recovered from his recent illness, and that he never was in better health.

KILLED WHILE PRAYING.

Report of Assassination of the Mad Mullah Received at Aden, Arabia.

(Associated Press.)

Aden, Arabia, Dec 11.—A rumor has reached here of the assassination of the Mad Mullah, of Somaliland.

The report was brought to the coast by a native runner from Garroro, via Berbera.

The Mullah is said to have been killed by a spear thrust in the stomach, inflicted while he was praying.

Haji Muhammed Abdullah, the Mad Mullah, so called, belonged to the Hab Suliemanogaden tribe of Somaliland. He was in the prime of life, and only recently became a dominant factor in the military and political situation of the protectorate of Somaliland by forcing the neighboring tribes into allegiance.

COUNTERFEITING PLANTS.

Plates Used in Printing Bogus Union Cigar Labels Seized.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 10.—In a raid by constables and labor leaders early today, it is believed the greatest plant in the country for counterfeiting union cigar labels was discovered, says the Inter-Ocean. The printing establishment of H. L. Meites, 380 Halstead street, was entered and the ten counterfeit plates were captured, from which it is believed all the counterfeit labels in the United States have been printed. One hundred thousand counterfeit stamps were also confiscated.

Officers of the Cigarmakers' International Union assert that the plates are the only ones in existence.

Meites shipped the counterfeit blue slips, in lots varying from 1,000 to 100,000 to all parts of the United States. The prisoner was taken to the county jail in default of $15,000 bonds.

BANK NOTE FORGERIES.

Nine Prisoners Committed for Trial in London.

London, Dec. 10.—Jacob Stern, who was arrested in New York in January last, and eight other foreigners, charged with bank note forgeries, were committed for trial this afternoon. The forgeries have occupied the London police for several months, and when first discovered created considerable excitement in commercial circles. They aggregated $50,000, but the criminals had laid their plans for an extended campaign against the bank, which doubtless would have been carried out had not their schemes been frustrated by the arerst in New York of Stern, who attempted to float some of the first forgeries to get money for extending business. The prisoners are all German and Russian.

OTTAWA NOTES.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Judge Masson, Huron, who sat in parliament for North Grey, has been superannuated, and Judge Doyle promoted to the position. P. Holt, Goderich, gets Judge Doyle's place.

Lord Strathcona cabled the Hon. Sidney Fisher that a newspaper dispatch published in London said a case of foot and mouth disease existed near Toronto. Hon. Mr. Fisher investigated and found no truth in the report.

THE MAJORITY OF ROSS INCREASED

LATER RETURNS PLACE IT AT EIGHT HUNDRED

Labelle and Fournier Will Be Executed on January 21st—Telephone Dispute Almost Settled.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Dec. 11.—The following dispatch has been received from Dawson:

"The majority of J. H. Ross, government candidate in the election for a representative of the Yukon in the Dominion House of Commons, is now 800.

"It has been decided to hang Labelle and Fournier on the same day, January 21st.

"The Eldorado gusher is still spouting water, which freezes immediately. Mountains of ice are forming in the vicinity. The government has let a contract to put in a capping to protect the claims from the spring freshets."

Louis Delatre was killed instantly at Van Anda mine yesterday by an explosion.

The Telephone Company has agreed to re-employ all the union men and a settlement of the strike has now practically been arranged through the aldermanic committee.

James R. Webster will be a candidate before the Liberal convention as successor to the late G. R. Maxwell.

LEGAL NEWS.

Judgment in Favor S. A. Spencer, Owner of the Tug Mystery—Milne vs. Macdonell.

The famous case concerning the grounding of the barque Santa Clara on Trial island on December 26th last was brought to a close last evening, the result being that the owners of the Santa Clara failed in their effort to obtain damages against S. A. Spencer, owner of the tug Mystery, on account of the alleged negligence and inefficiency of the tug. The trial was commenced more than a week ago, and many witnesses were examined by both parties. The case finally went to the jury yesterday afternoon, and after considering the evidence for two hours, and returning once to ask directions as to what would result if they considered both crews had been negligent, they brought in a general verdict in favor of the defendant. Judgment was therefore awarded Mr. Spencer, with costs of the action. E. V. Bodwell, K. C., and J. H. Lawson, jr., acted for plaintiff, whose claim was for $25,000, and F. Peters, K. C., and C. S. Wilson represented the defendant.

The trial of Milne vs. Macdonell was commenced this morning. Dr. Milne sues D. G. Macdonell, a Vancouver solicitor, for an account and balance of about $10,000 alleged to have been received by the defendant on a sale of the V., V. & E. charter to Mackenzie & Mann. A special jury, with Jas. Patterson as foreman, are engaged on this case. H. M. Cleland and T. M. Miller are counsels for Dr. Milne, and Jos. Martin, K. C., for Macdonell.

Chambers.

Mr. Justice Drake disposed of the following applications in Chambers this morning:

McHugh vs. Dooley et al. G. H. Barnard, for defendants, obtained an order postponing trial until next sittings, on account of the illness of an important witness, costs of postponement to plaintiff. A. P. Luxton, contra.

Re W. A. Anderson Co., winding-up. A. D. Crease, for liquidator, obtained an order fixing the 18th inst. for adjudication of claims.

Raser vs. McQuade. F. Higgins obtained an order, ex parte, for an examination de bene esse.

Haggerty vs. Lenora. A. P. Luxton, for plaintiff, obtained judgment for amount certified by registrar.

Bradley-Dyne vs. Mills. C. N. Berkeley (Eberts & Taylor), obtained a replevin order for a cow.

County Court.

Judge Drake is presiding at the regular sittings of the County court, which is in session to-day. Several cases are set for trial.

FATALITIES AT FIRE.

Man's Neck Was Broken and a Child Burned to Death.

Menomonee Falls, Wis., Dec. 8.—Fire last night destroyed the general store and dwelling of Max Manthey, at Colgate, five miles north of here. Mr. Manthey, in attempting to escape, fell from the porch and broke his neck, dying a few minutes later. In the excitement a child eight years old was forgotten and was burned to death. Another child was fatally and three others seriously injured. The mother and two other children were the only ones to escape uninjured.

THE CROWN BANK.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—The Crown Bank of Canada's stock, now on the market, has been largely subscribed for at a premium of 25 per cent. Subscription books will shortly be closed.

Twenty-three physicians, all enjoying a deservedly wide reputation give gratuitous consultations in Paris. These philanthropic and skilful men have already given more than 11,000 consultations.

NORTHERN MAIL LOST.

The Couriers From Atlin Lost on Taku Arm Together With Letter Bags.

Capt. Fletcher, post office inspector, has received a message from Atlin announcing that the mail which left that place on November 28th has been lost on Taku Arm. The message also contains the information that the couriers were lost also.

It is believed that the mail has been lost as the result of over-confidence on the part of the drivers of the safety of the ice. The mail is carried by the B. Y. N. Company and G. A. Pullen, the manager, will make every effort to recover the mail bags. Whether this will be possible or not depends, of course, upon the conditions where the loss occurred.

The mail leaves Atlin for Log Cabin twice a week. Dog teams leave Log Cabin simultaneously for Atlin, the two meeting at Tepee. The carriage of the mail by dog team commenced early in November. One of the couriers is believed to have been named Abbey, though no definite information has been received to that effect. The other man is unknown. Macdougall and Rant, two other carriers, are known to have left about that time from Log Cabin, and it is believed that they have brought the news of the accident to Atlin.

The mail leaving twice a week, the lost bags would contain all letters posted from Tuesday to Friday of that week. Any important communications therefore may have to be duplicated, and will be late in arriving.

TRANSFER OF LICENSES.

The Board Grant Several Changes at Their Quarterly Meeting.

The licensing board of the city met yesterday afternoon at the city hall with Mayor Hayward and Commissioner Vincent present.

Two applications laid over from last sitting of the board were disposed of. They were:

C. P. Lelievre, application for transfer of license of Horse Shoe saloon to Charles Robert Johnston and Edward Harris. Application granted.

F. E. Newberger, application for transfer of license of Jubilee saloon, to Robert Chadwick and Fred. White. Application granted.

The new business which came before the board was as follows:

Wm. Jensen, by his attorney in fact, B. C. L. & I. Agency Co., application for transfer of license of Dawson hotel, Yates street, to Hugh A. Harris. Application granted.

Dennis Gray, application for transfer of license of Bee Hive saloon, Fort street, to Lee G. Burns. Mayor's temporary permit ratified and extended to next quarterly session.

Robert Williams, application for transfer of license of Capitol saloon, Yates street, to W. F. Craig and A. L. McDonald. Application granted.

Jackson & McDonell, application for transfer of license of the Savoy, Government street, to The Savoy, Limited. Application granted.

F. W. VanSicklin, application for transfer of license of Imperial hotel, View street, to Hugh Grieve. Application granted.

Braverman & McArthur, executors of P. Steele's estate, application for transfer of license of Steele's saloon, Bastion Square, to John Elery Jenkins. Application granted.

S. H. Cunningham by his attorney in fact, C. A. Holland, application for transfer of license of International hotel, Johnson street, to Medley Harper and Wilbert Trew. Mayor's temporary permit ratified and extended to next session.

J. G. Richards, application for transfer of license of Bank Exchange, Yates street, to Albert Burke. Application granted.

An application from S. H. Roblin and P. Crombie for a transfer of license for St. George's hotel, Esquimalt road, to Hugh Simpson, was laid over until this morning, when it was granted. The new proprietor being warned that he must be careful to run a quiet house or lose his license.

POLITICAL NEWS.

Sensational Statements at Meeting at Wellington Last Night.

John Oliver, M. P. P., who has been in the city several days, left this morning for North Victoria to take the stump in the interests of T. W. Paterson. Col. Prior went out on the same train, and there was a wordy altercation between the two at the station prior to departing.

The nominations for North Nanaimo took place at noon to-day at Wellington. Parker Williams is proposed by D. S. Macdonald and seconded by George Eastman, both of Northfield. Hon. W. W. B. McInnes is proposed by John D. Dixon, who opposed him at the last provincial election, and seconded by John Haggart, who opposed him at the Dominion election in 1896.

At a meeting at Wellington last night, Mr. McInnes charged Mr. Hawthornthwaite with having agreed to enter Mr. Martin's cabinet when that gentleman was Premier, and of refusing to do so only when Mr. Martin entered suit against the New Vancouver Coal Company. This Mr. Hawthornthwaite absolutely denied, and challenged Mr. McInnes to a meeting with him on Saturday in the basement of the Queen's hotel, Nanaimo. This was accepted.

ASSOUAN DAM OPENED.

(Associated Press.)

Assouan, Egypt, Dec. 10.—The great Nile reservoir and dam were opened today in the presence of the Khedive and many other distinguished persons.

Dennis Kilbride, former member of parliament, was found guilty on Wednesday at the Leinster assizes of inciting in a speech the murder of Major-General Meares, of County Westmeath, and sentenced to eight months' imprisonment.

FIFTEEN MONTHS WITH HARD LABOR

SENTENCE IMPOSED ON A VICIOUS JAPANESE

Impossible to Learn His Motive—Another Wound in His Victim's Back—Other Cases.

Fifteen months' imprisonment with hard labor. This was the penalty inflicted on Sum, the young Japanese for stabbing a fellow countryman Nakamuro early yesterday morning. The accused pleaded guilty yesterday, but this morning the magistrate expressed a desire to learn the particulars of the affair, so the victim of the attack was called. Both he and Sum were questions at length, but the most searching examination failed to disclose any motive for the crime, which would undoubtedly have proved a great deal more serious had not others intervened. In fact, judging by the story of the complainant, the chances are that had the blood-thirsty Sum his own way Nakamuro would now be lying in the morgue.

Yesterday the complainant discovered that he had also been stabbed in the back. When Dr. Robertson was summoned immediately following the attack upon him, the Japanese only complained of the wound in the forearm. Yesterday, however, his back began to trouble him and investigation revealed a cut and tiny hole slightly toward the left side.

When he took the witness stand this morning it was deemed necessary to have an interpreter. It was subsequently discovered, however, that the witness spoke English as well, if not better, than the interpreter. After being sworn, he told his story as follows: He was sitting by the stove in the kitchen of his lodging house on Tuesday night when Sum, who also lodged there, came in and remarked that "he intended to kill somebody that night." Shortly afterwards Nakamuro went up to bed and Sum followed. The latter having a knife in his hand, proceeded to carve his victim with all possible dispatch, and managed to get in a nasty cut on the forearm and the other wound in the back before Nakamuro could offer much resistance. By this time the latter's cries aroused the other lodgers, and rushing in they took the knife away from Sum.

The complainant had given the accused absolutely no provocation. Sum was known among the local Japanese as a bad man, and Nakamuro, therefore, never had anything to do with him. He said he seldom spoke to him, and this probably aroused Sum's anger. The latter was also questioned, but no motive for the attack on his countryman could be discovered. First he said he did it while under the influence of liquor, and then he followed this up with the excuse that he was only playing.

The magistrate drew his attention to the fact that people who used knives in that way were sent to jail. He sentenced Sum to fifteen months' imprisonment with hard labor.

A man named Chester Wells was charged with an infraction of the Public Morals By-law in using grossly insulting language to the proprietress of the Telegraph hotel. It is charged that he applied the most indecent epithets to her because she wouldn't give him a drink. The case was remanded until to-morrow.

A young man who gave his name as George Montague, but whose real cognomen is George Melbourne, was charged with being a frequenter of a house of ill-fame. He belongs to that ilk who earn their livelihood by playing the piano in the haunts of the demi-monde, and this is the second time in the past six months he has faced the magistrate. He was fined $50 or three months' imprisonment. He paid his fine.

YOUNG ARTISTS' WORK.

Exhibit Being Made By the Pupils of H. C. T. Martindale at His Studio.

A visit to the studio of H. C. T. Martindale reveals the methods employed by that artist in his instruction. Arranged around the walls of the studio are samples of the work done by his pupils since the spring exhibit. The progressive stages of work are shown, from the primary drawing lessons through the different stages of free-hand drawing and charcoal sketching to the finished works in water colors and oil. Many of those on exhibition are taken directly from nature.

The exhibit is open to the public from 2 to 5, and from 8 to 9 each day. This will continue for a few days in order to give an opportunity to the public to see what is being done.

During the summer, considerable time has been devoted by his pupils to outside work, and in consequence a great many of the paintings exhibited are local points of interest. With the approach of winter Mr. Martindale intends to devote more attention to giving the necessary technical instruction so that the best results may be attained by his pupils.

The statistician of the United States department of agriculture estimates the newly seeded area of winter wheat at about 34,000,000 acres, an increase of 5.16 per cent. upon the area estimated to have been sown in the fall of 1901.

The Toronto Evening Telegram's London correspondent says that even if Lord Milner is offered the governor-generalship of Canada he would not accept, having declared his desire to rest after his hard work in South Africa

WHAT TO BUY

At Xmas time is usually a vexing question.

If you are buying for a lady nothing will be more appreciated than a bottle of best perfume. We have all the latest odors by best French, English and American makers.

If for a gentleman, what is more suitable than a pair of military hair brushes? We have a large stock to choose from, at prices which are very reasonable.

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TRADE RELATIONS WITH THE STATES

SPEECH AT DETROIT BY J. CHARLTON

The Question of Reciprocity in Natural Products—Suggests Meeting of a Joint High Commission.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 10.—Reciprocity between Canada and the United States was the keynote of the speeches made to-night at the reception tendered the delegates to the national reciprocity convention by the Detroit Chamber of Commerce, and the arguments in favor of it were keenly listened to. In addition to the delegates to the congress there were present at the dinner to-night nearly 200 members of the Detroit Chamber of Commerce. John Charlton, of the Canadian parliament, was the first speaker.

Mr. Charlton said that on February 11th, 1899, he had in the discussion of the trade relations between the two countries made his first attempt to reach the ear of the United States in an address to the Merchants' Club of Chicago. Since then his voice and his pen had been the service of good or broadened trade relations. When he seemed to be confronted by a solid wall of misapprehension and prejudice, it was difficult to secure consideration of Canadian subjects, difficult to remove the false impressions as to the character of trade relations existing between the two countries. Since then a rapid change had been in progress, interest had been awakened and even seemed to be moving towards the reversal of the policy that had promoted estrangement and bitterness of feeling in Canada towards the United States since 1866. A most gratifying evidence of this awakened interest is the assembling of a national reciprocity convention in Detroit at this time. If it could be shown that free trade between the United States is a good thing, and that the same natural and economic laws would govern trade between the States and Canada, it was a fitting and commendable task for the statesmen of the two countries to seek for an adjustment of trade relations of a more friendly and mutually advantageous character than those now in force. Great Britain and her dependencies earnestly desire friendly relations with the United States. British statesmen feel that the two powers will naturally move and develop in distinct fields of action. The United States should be the natural aid of Great Britain. Aside from each other, the two countries may be said to have no natural allies. The subjugation of either would mean infinite disaster to the other, and to the United States Great Britain is a buffer state, whose removal would, in all probability, entail a desperate fight for existence on the part of the United States. As for Canada, her citizens measure the colossal power of the United States at close range and fully appreciate the greatness of that power, but there is no feeling of envy in this recognition of greatness, only a desire to emulate and tread the same pathway to empire in the development of a vast territory and boundless resources. They only ask to be met in the spirit they have always stood ready to manifest, and it is certainly no fault of theirs that the relations of the two countries have not been placed upon a more satisfactory basis.

Almost half a century ago the treaty providing for reciprocal trade in natural products between Canada and the United States went into effect. It continued inoperation from 1854 to 1866. Under its influence there was a phenomenal development of trade between the two countries. The exports from Canada to the United States quadrupled in that period. In 1866 the exports and imports in round numbers were: Exports of Canada to the United States, $40,000,000; imports to Canada from the United States, $28,000,000. Of the exports, $25,000,000 consisted of farm products. The direct Canadian exports to Great Britain in this line, however, were so small, being but $3,500,000, as to warrant the conclusion that a large proportion of the amount of the farm products sent to the United States merely passed through United States channels en route to Europe, and that between exports and imports for consumption, if any balance of trade actually existed in favor of Canada, it was an inconsiderable one. When the reciprocity treaty was abrogated by the action of the United States government, Canada vainly strove to secure its renewal by offering to add a considerable list of manufactures to the free schedule. All offers for broadening trade relations were spurned and a period of repressive tariff regulations was entered upon by the United States.

In 1874 the Liberals came into office in Canada, and Canadian Commissioner Brown was associated with the British minister at Washington, Lord Thornton, and a trade treaty was negotiated with the United States state department, providing for the free interchange of natural products, for free trade in agricultural implements of all kinds, for a wide list of other manufactures, for the freedom of the Northeast coast fisheries, for the construction of a canal from St. Lawrence above the Lachine rapids to Lake Champlain, and for the freedom of the coasting trade of both countries. This treaty was rejected by the United States senate. Had the treaty of 1874 been established and continued in force till the present time, Canada would have been practically, if not actually, part of the United States at this moment. The trade relations between the United States and Canada for the fiscal year 1892, do not differ materially in character from the conditions of the immediate preceding years. Import percentage of Canada's total trade with Great Britain was 29.66, with the United States, without including precious metals exported 73.8, with Germany 80.23, with France 83.27. This statement shows clearly that the trade of Canada with all these countries, except Great Britain, left a heavy unfavorable balance against her. The Canadian farmer has a vivid object lesson constantly before him which impresses his mind with the value of the English market. He finds three-fourths of his market going to that country. He caters for the one taste of the customer. There is a growing indifference in Canada to obtaining reciprocity with the United States. The Canadian manufacturer is suspicious of the movement for reciprocity in natural products, fearing that it may lead to further trade concessions. The Canadian transportation interests are somewhat averse to the introduction of this policy, fearing that it may have a tendency to divert to United States channels the stream of business that flows in ever increasing volume from the Canadian Northwest. The imperialist looks with disfavor upon the proposition, for he instinctively feels that the train of influence it will bring into play will tell against his dream of a confederation and a consolidated British Empire embracing all the colonies in one organization with representation in the great Imperial parliament in England. The farmer, the lumberman, the mine owner, and the fisherman would have their interests served by the inauguration of this policy, but the farmer is not thoroughly aroused as to the bearing of the question upon his own interests, and the lumbermen, the mine owners, and the fishermen are perhaps the only business classes at the present moment in Canada thoroughly alive to the importance of a change in our trade relations with the United States. Meanwhile Canadians almost without distinction as to party lines, feel a sense of indignation at the narrow character of the trade policy of the United States towards Canada and the practical outcome of its application and the demand for reciprocity of tariffs become more and more pronounced. Unless something is done to establish more equitable trade relations that demand will sweep everything before it.

Mr. Charlton advocated that the joint high commission should be again convened to deal with the trade question and such matters having an important bearing upon the interests of Canada and the United States.

Mr. Campbell Shaw, of Buffalo, said, in part: "We desire an application of the policy of reciprocity; a policy which we believe is necessary to holding the trade we have developed and are developing with other countries. Our aim is to secure such madification of our fiscal policy as will give us reciprocity with all countries that can assure mutually profitable treaties. It is within reason to assert that the most practical way to go about lowering the tariff will be by organizing the territory immediately interested, and making the organization sufficiently strong to overcome all opposition. That opposition is limited largely to the ultra-protectionist element, an element that is to be overcome only by strong organized effort. There are men in this country who are convinced that the policy of high protection has effected its purpose, and that the interests of the country demand reciprocal trade relations with great consumers. It must be but a short time before public opinion will set determinedly for reciprocal relations with every country that can assure us a mutually profitable treaty. Since the adjournment of the joint commission the overflow of United States capital and energy increased, has so appreciated the value of the markets of that country that a mutually profitable trade treaty has become a possibility. We must persuade congress to take the initiative in inviting the re-assembling of the joint high commission; that the Canadian market may not pass from our control. It is well understood that if we concede Canada free trade in natural products, its present trade advantage in that market will not be lessened and that the preferential tariff for Great Britain will be withdrawn."

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CASTRO'S APPEAL.

Asks People to Take Up Arms Against Great Britain and Germany.

Paris, Dec. 10.—A Venezuelan government communication to its representative here protests that Great Britain and Germany, acting in concert, have committed an act of hostility in a manner as it is unprecedented by the seizure of Venezuelan vessels lying at La Guayra. The communication says that indignation in Venezuela is at its highest pitch, and the government is resorting to justifiable reprisals. It has arrested the resident subjects of both hostile countries, and has seized the railways and other undertakings belonging to them. Castro has decreed a general amnesty for all political offences, and has ordered the restitution of the confiscated property of Venezuelan citizens.

A Venezuelan communication is issued here stating that President Castro has appealed to the Venezuelan people to take up arms against Germany and Great Britain.

The Blockade.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 10.—The British cruiser Charybdis seized the Venezuelan gunboat Bolivar in this harbor last night. She landed the Bolivar's officers here while the British sloop Alert took the crow of the captured gunboat to the port of Guayra, situated on the Venezuelan coast, opposite to the Island of Trinidad. The British torpedo boat destroyer Quail has sailed with instructions to capture the Venezuelan warship vessel now engaged in blockading the mouth of the Orinoco. The entire coast of Venezuela, from the Orinoco river to La Guayra will be blockaded from to-day by British war vessels, while the Venezuelan coast from La Guayra to the Colombian frontier will be blockaded by German ships.

FATAL WRECKS.

Two Men Killed Through Derailing of Train—Freights in Collision.

Kansas City, Dec. 8.—The westbound limited passenger train on the Santa Fe was wrecked at Rothville, Mo., shortly after noon to-day, causing the death of Engineer Samuel Wise, of Argentine, Kan., and his fireman, and great damage to the engine and coaches. John McKean, of New York, who received slight bruises, was the only passenger injured. A colored waiter's arm was broken and two other waiters were injured. The wreck was caused by the coaches being derailed on an open switch, which the engine passed safely when the train was going at a high rate of speed. The train was almost demolished.

Engineer Dead.

Los Angeles, Dec. 8.—Peter Peterson, a Santa Fe engineer, was killed and two firemen were seriously injured in a head-on freight collision on the Santa Fe, near Peach Springs, Ariz., yesterday. Both engines were wrecked and several freight cars were smashed up.

The Soo mills of the Algoma Steel Company are closed and 500 men are out of work, President Clergue says German competition is responsible for the closure. It is impossible, he says, to compete with that country as long as rails come in duty free.

Every Woman Should Know.

That Prof. W. Hodgson Ellis, Official Analyst to the Dominion Government, has recently made a number of analyses of soaps, and reports that "Sunlight Soap contains that high "percentage of oils or fats necessary "to a good laundry soap."

What every woman does not know is that in common soaps she frequently pays for adulterations at the price of oils and fats. Try Sunlight Soap—Octagon Bar—next wash day, and you will see that Prof. Ellis is right. He should know. 206

DOMINION DISPATCHES.

A Good Sign—Arranging for Increasing Output of the Crow's Nest Mines.

Montreal, Dec. 10.—The Royal Bank of Canada in a circular to its shareholders states that a number of American gentlemen of high financial position, and with prominent business connections, after the rough examination of the affairs of the bank, have made a proposition to acquire as an investment five thousand shares of the bank's capital stock and to pay therefor $250 per share. The acceptance of this offer places in the treasury of the bank the sum of $1,250,000, $750,000 of this sum being a premium on the stock, which would give to the reserve fund thus making the bank's capital $2,500,000, and reserve fund $2,450,000. This large addition to the banking capital of Canada coming from foreign sources is looked upon with great favor in financial circles.

Conspiracy.

Harry Johnson, the C. P. R. clerk convicted of conspiracy to defraud the company by notifying the conductors when an audit of their trains was to take place, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary this morning.

Severely Burned.

Toronto, Dec. 10.—Ada Norman was probably fatally burned yesterday by a fire from a dish towel which had caught from the range and ignited her skirts.

Household Science.

The senate of Toronto University has decided to confer the degree of Bachelor of Household Science after a successful four years' course.

The Referendum.

Returns of the referendum continue to increase the majority in favor of the act. The latest figures show a majority of 75,266 in its favor.

To Supply Rails.

It is definitely settled that the contract for steel rails for the Temiscaming railway will be awarded to Clergue's company. Frank Latchford, commissioner of public works, when seen, admitted that the company would have the preference. The figure of the Clergue tender is not divulged, but it is understood to be $36 per ton.

Crow's Nest Mines.

Elias Rogers has returned from the Pacific coast, where he has been making arrangements for the extension of the Crow's Nest Co.'s mines. By spring Mr. Rogers says the mines will have a daily output of 5,000 tons, compared with the present output of 2,000 tons, and 600 tons of coke.

Winnipeg's Mayor.

Winnipeg, Dec. 10.—Arbuthnot was elected mayor of Winnipeg to-day over Mitchell, in a total vote of 4,692. The Sunday street car by-law was defeated by 204 votes; for Sunday cars, 2,166; against Sunday cars, 2,370.

Suing For Damages.

Woodstock, Dec. 10.—A writ has been issued on behalf of Albert Atchison, a farmer of Currie's Crossing, claiming $10,000 damages from the Grand Trunk railway, for the death of his wife, who was killed on Wilson street crossing some weeks ago.

Ceiling Fell.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—Col. Macdonald, director of military stores, was a victim of an accident this afternoon. A large portion of the ceiling fell on him while seated in his office, and he was severely cut and bruised about his head, and will be laid up for a some days.

ARBITRATION.

Paper By President Underwood of Erie Railway Read at Civic Federation.

New York, Dec. 10.—At to-day's session of the industrial department of the National Civic Federation, the general topic was "Industrial Agreements." Prior to its discussion, papers and speeches crowded out of yesterday's programme were presented. Among them was a paper by President Underwood, of the Erie railway, on the question of arbitration. He wrote it is necessary to take from the minds of the working men that his employer wishes to take petty advantage of him.

Replies to a circular sent to a large number of manufacturers whether they regard it practicable to gradually reduce hours by voluntary uniform agreement throughout a given industry, provided the employees were to abandon any arbitrary restrictions upon output, showed 670 out of 920 in the affirmative.

At the afternoon session Samuel Mather, of Cleveland, Ohio, spoke of the working agreement that has been in existence for three years between the longshoremen and the Association of Dock Managers, affecting the ports from Buffalo to Toledo. The agreement he said had caused a marked improvement in the conditions, and had worked most successfully during the three years.

T. Towne, of the National Founders' Association, said the efforts of his association to arrive at agreements satisfactory to both the employers and the laborers have resulted in local benefit.

N. M. Carland, former president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, said: "You may talk of these agreements, but to my thinking there is but one way. It is necessary for the employers and laborers to get together as one family and thresh out their differences."

Beverly Smith, secretary of the Lithographers' Association of the United States, said: "The apathy of the employers is responsible for all the conditions that are ill to them."

Prof. J. W. Jenks, professor of political economy at Cornell University, in his address said: "Legally, the strike-breaker is right; he may work for whoever he will, morally he may be right or he may be wrong."

RICHARD GOLDEN

Will Appear in "Foxy Quiller" at the Victoria To-Night.

One of the events of the season will be the presentation in this city to-night at the Victoria theatre of the successful comic opera "Foxy Quiller" with Richard Golden as the star. Manager Ben Stern, who directs the production of the opera to be seen here, has spared no expense to assemble the largest organization of its kind that has ever travelled on the road. The company includes Miss Carlotta Gilman, a beautiful young woman who has scored triumphs abroad and the lilliputian comedian Adolph Zink. The opera itself is considered by critics to be one of the best of the many offered to the public by de Koven and Smith. The very fact that de Koven and Smith are responsible for "Foxy Quiller" insures a delightful evening. In addition to this that the opera is produced by Ben Stern, which makes it certain that scenic magnificence and handsome costumes will be exhibited.

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SCIENCE OF MARRIAGE.

Prof. Alexander Delivers an Interesting Lecture Last Evening Upon the Subject.

Prof. Alexander last evening gave his most noted lecture upon "Love, Courtship and Marriage" before a crowded house in the A. O. U. W. hall. So pleased were the audience with it that by special request the lecturer may repeat the lecture on Monday evening next. With the faculty of presenting his ideas clearly Prof. Alexander delighted the audience last night.

In his address he pointed out some of the things which went to make a home happy. Marriage was a solemn matter, and should so be regarded. Marriages should be based upon adaptability of one for the other. He explained this by contrasting some of the characters which were suited to one another. He denounced the flirting habit, and advised young ladies not to adopt it. It was unbecoming and could not elevate them in the eyes of the men they attempted to attract by these methods.

Advice was given upon the duties of husbands to their wives. There should be the greatest consideration and respect shown to the woman who unites her fortune with a man for life.

The advice was not confined alone to the men, however, and women were cautioned respecting their part in making the home a happy one.

Two ladies were selected and the kind of husband which would be adapted for each of them was described. Later a search of the hall was made to find the ideal man for each. Two gentlemen approaching the necessary were found.

This evening Prof. Alexander will lecture upon the subject "Crime and Criminals."

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WITNESSES WILL BE RE-EXAMINED

THE LOOK DEN CASE IS STILL IN COURT

Pong Wong, the Accused, Gave Evidence at the Hearing Yesterday Afternoon.

The Chinese assault case in which Pong Wong is charged with having attempted to take the life of Look Den was continued last evening.

Pong Wong gave evidence in which he denied being at the home of Look Den. He disclaimed visiting the place habitually. He admitted that Di See sometimes came to his place to play. He had a black jack game running in his house to which men came. His partner's wife sometimes came. These two were the only women who came to gamble. He had never slept at Look Den's quarters. The first he heard of the assault was about 3 o'clock on the day of his arrest.

When he was arrested he was playing at his house with a white man.

Cross-examined by Frank Higgins, the witness said that he sometimes went to Look Den's house downstairs and delivered clothes to Di See to have buttons put on and other work done on them. The only times at which he talked with Di See was about gambling in his own place. After being admitted to bail he had gone with his partner's wife to the Refuge Home to try to speak to Di See in order to ascertain who had instigated his arrest. He was not permitted to see her, however. He had never been in Look Den's home after 8 o'clock at night.

Mr. Higgins then asked if on the 20th November, according to the Chinese calendar, witness had not been caught coming out of Look Den's place at 4 o'clock in the morning by three fellow countrymen.

Objection was raised by J. M. Bradburn, on the grounds that the question was irrelevant. A discussion followed, Mr. Higgins pressing that the question followed his other cross-examination. Police Magistrate Hall upheld the objection.

In further cross-examination Pong Wong said that since that date he had not visted Look Den's place.

A succeeding question as to Pong Wong being an habitual sleeper at Look Den's quarters was objected to by Mr. Bradburn. The police magistrate said that Mr. Higgins seemed to forget that he appeared for the prosecution. With this Mr. Bradburn agreed. Mr. Higgins said he was placed in a peculiar position with respect to the case.

Sergt. Walker was called, but gave no evidence of importance. He had visited Look Den's place the morning after the crime was committed. He got no information from Look Den, who said he "didn't know."

Mr. Higgins then asked, as he intended re-examining some of the witnesses, that the court should again visit the premises.

Mr. Bradburn objected. He thought his opposing counsel should outline what course he intended to take in his re-examination. He did not think that the witnesses should be allowed to alter their evidence which it was apparent might be done.

The police magistrate said he supposed they were to be recalled, as according to the former examination of the witnesses the proper foundation had not been laid in view of the fact that counsel for the prosecution was not prepared, not knowing what evidence the detectives and others were going to give.

Mr. Bradubrn held that it really amounted to allowing the prosecution to amend their case.

Mr. Higgins's contention was that the case was a very peculiar one. A witnes whom he thought was for the prosecution had talked the matter over unknown to him with the defence. The evidence which followed was not what he had expected.

The police magistrate admitted that the evidence for the defence was a little out of order. While it should not have been rejected, yet it was not regularly introduced. In the interests of justice the witness, he thought, should be recalled and the matter probed deeper.

The further hearing of the case was accordingly set for Monday next.

SCHOOL BOARD IN SESSION.

Stenography Will Not Be Taught at the High School—General Business.

At last night's meeting of the school board Trustees Jay and Boggs, the special committee appointed to consider the question of introducing stenography into the High school as an optional subject after school hours, recommended that a class be organized and a special teacher employed from January 1st, the term rate to be $5 per pupil. This was recommended by the committee after a conference with the principal and teachers of the school

The other members of the board opposed the recommendation on the ground that the additional course after hours would interfere with their general work, the course prescribed by the educational department. Trustees Huggett and Drury expressed the view that the department migat with advantage include a commercial course in the curriculum without any fees being required of the pupils. The report of the special committee was rejected.

The city superintendent reported a number of repairs in the schools to be effected during the vacation.

There was a lengthy discussion on the subject of additional school accommodation for next term. In this connection the necessity for a new school in Victoria West was brought prominently before the meeting, and it was suggested that the board endeavor to make some arrangement with the government by which a new school could be established in this district. Nothing, however, was done in this direction.

A communication from R. S. Day regarding insurance policies on certain school buildings, which will expire shortly, was referred to the building and grounds committee with power to act. During a short discussion on this subject Trustee Jay said the time was opportune for a readjustment of the patronage given the various companies.

A discussion arose as to the holding of public exercises in connection with the closing of schools at the end of the term, the consensus of opinion among members of the board, are that such exercises should not be held earlier than the afternoon of the last day of the term, and that only when exceptional circumstances make it absolutely necessary should they be held elsewhere than on the respective school premises.

Accounts amounting to $540.43 were passed. Chairman Hall presided, and there were present Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Jay, Boggs, Huggett, Drury and Matson, Superintendent Eaton and the secretary, Miss Macdonald.

A. S. Rosenthal and M. L. Cohen, of the silk importing firm of Rosenthal & Co., of New York, have been indicted by the Federal grand jury on two charges. They are accused of entering silks on worthless or fraudulent invoices and of conspiracy with C. C. Brown, a former silk examiner.

At the annual meeting of the Greenwood Liberal Association the following officers and committees were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. R. Brown; vice-president, Charles W. Wilson; secretary, Kenneth McKenzie; committee, A. A. Crowston, W. S. Graham, Angus Nicholson, Duncan Ross, S. Barry Yuill and Dr. Simmons.

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SECOND SHIPMENT OF FROZEN HOGS

VICTORIA FIRM SENDS BIG LOT ON AORANGI

A Chinese Company Have Three Five Thousand Ton Ships Building—Anxiety for Overdues.

In the refrigerating departments of the steamer Aorangi, when she sails for Australia to-morrow, there will be a shipment of nearly a thousand hogs to be forwarded south by the B. C. Cold Storage Company, of this city. The shipment is the second and will be the largest which the company will have made. When taken in connection with the shipments made from other points it indicates in no unmistakable way the growing importance of the Australian market for Canadian pork. The company have engaged space on each of the Canadian-Australian steamers sailing during the next several months and are not only developing the pork market, but are also making regular shipments of other produce, now in demand in consequence of the drought throughout the western portion of the southern continent.

The pork shipping business of Victoria, however, is not alone expanding. Swift & Company, the big American Packing Company, which has been shipping through Vancouver, are arranging to forward consignments via San Francisco early in the new year, having found their orders so large that it has become necessary for them to secure as much transportation as possible.

J. P. Doherty, Puget Sound agent of Swift & Co., is now superintending the transfer of about 100 tons of frozen hogs from the refrigerator cars in which they came from St. Joseph, Mich., to the cold storage chamber of the R. M. S. Aorangi. There now departs from San Francisco for Australia one steamer per month, in which cold storage space is available. The Oceanic Steamship Co. is preparing to equip the other two of its steamers with cold storage chambers, because of the great demand for cargo space for goods of a perishable nature.

The following is the list of passengers who have been booked to date for the Acrangi: Andrew Fisher, Mrs. Fisher and infant, Mr. Oliver Jones, Mrs. Jones, G. Devaux, Dr. Lloyd, Mrs. T. Nicholas, Christopher Mager, Charles Berry, R. Bulkley, William Hutchins, Miss Jennie James, Edward Salmon, wife and child, Mr. Smith, Mrs. D. S. Reid, Miss Roderick, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McKenzie, W. R. Jones, Otto Schuethe, A. E. E. George Syme, Mr. and Mrs. Knox, Mr and Mrs. Latham, Mrs. Kent.

NEW POINT OF CALL.

Malcolm island, near the northern end of this island, is hereafter to be included in the ports of call of the C. P. N. steamers. At Sointula, where a port has been established, a post office has been erected by the Dominion government for the accommodation of the Finnish colony which recently settled on the island under the Kalevan Kansa Colonization Company. There are in all about two hundred settlers included in the colony. Since they took up their abode on the island they have carried out many important improvements. The colony has now a saw mill, a newspaper known as the Aika, a wharf, a steamer of their own, and other public necessities. Indeed the colony have started a career along idealistic lines according to its own view of living, and socialism is to be practiced in all phases of government. Malcolm island, which was placed at the disposal of the Finns by the provincial government over a year ago, contains some 28,000 acres of land. At Sointula, where a village has been founded, there is a very excellent harbor. There is an abundance of water for the deepest draft vessels and the port is well sheltered.

FEARED ARE LOST.

Now that the Alaska Commercial Company's steamer Bertha has returned from Copper river and Cook Inlet with no news of either, it is felt certain that the sailing schooner Gen. Siglin and the steamer Dawson City have been lost, probably with all on board. Fully thirty lives are at stake, and it may be that the number will exceed that figure. The steamer brought no news of the overdue sealer South Bend, and it is feared, too, that she has been lost. As for the Siglin, there is little or no hope. The schooner is now two months and four days out from the mouth of the Kuskokwim. Indeed, the indications are that both the Siglin and the Dawson City went down in Behring Sea. If they passed out of the sea through Unimak pass and up the Aleutian archipelago, intending to take the inside passage, the Bertha or some other Copper river liner would certainly have spoken or heard of them.

GLASS OF WATER
Upset Her.

People that don't know about food should never be allowed to feed persons with weak stomachs.

A little over a year ago a young woman who lives in Mercer, Me., had an attack of scarlet fever, and when convalescent was permitted to eat anything she wanted. Indiscriminate feeding soon put her back in bed with severe stomach trouble and inflammation of the kidneys.

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WILL BUILD THREE SHIPS.

Interviewed at San Francisco Leung Kam Wing, one of the Chinese steamship promoters, who recently visited this city, said: "Our company is usually known as the China Commercial Steamship Company, and it has been in the China coast trade for a number of years. Three new steamers of 5,000 tons each are now being constructed for the company in England. They may be used between Hongkong and this coast. Our company is considering the proposition. That is the object of my visit to this country. I intend to study trade conditions, both here and in Mexico. I looked over the ground at Seattle. I will carefully study matters here. We are not looking for subsidies. If we can get business over here we want it."

INBOUND AUSTRALIAN LINER.

According to advices received by the officials of the Canadian Pacific railway, the R. M. S. Moana, Captain Carey, which sailed from Brisbane for this port on December 3rd, has the following passengers: For overland points, 3 saloon, 3 second-cabin and 5 steerage passengers; for San Francisco, 3 saloon and 2 second-cabin passengers, who will debark at Victoria; for Vancouver, 10 steerage passengers. The Moana has only a light cargo of some 60 tons, which is consigned to overland points.

DEATHS ON MACDIARMID.

The Seattle Times says: "Letters under date of September 22nd, from Durban, give reports of four deaths among the crew of the British ship Macdiarmid. Two seamen, Stewart Gray and Arnold Anderson, died from natural causes and two apprentices, T. P. B. Horsfall and John Hollingsworth, fell from aloft and were drowned. Gray is said to have relatives in Seattle, or Victoria. The two apprentices both hailed from Tacoma."

MARINE NOTES.

The traffic officials of the Hill lines, and E. S. Wheeler, their Hongkong agent, held a conference at Chicago recently with a view to devising means for increasing the Oriental trade carried by the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Burlington roads. The two steamships which Mr. Hill is building for the Pacific traffic will be ready for commission early in the spring, and the officials wish to secure for them a paying trade as soon as they are floated.

Tacoma dispatches say that the British barque Procyon, Capt. James, which sailed from San Francisco, has put into port at Bahia, minus her compass, a boat and some sails. She reports having jettisoned 30 tons of her cargo. While mooring at Bahia she went aground, and is now leaking at the rate of half an inch per hour. It has been decided to hold a survey.

A cable message from Yokohama reports that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Shinano Maru arrived at that port from Victoria on Sunday.

PIONEER PRINTER DEAD.

Was One of the Proprietors of the Victoria Gazette in 1858.

The death occurred in San Jose, California, recently of Abel Whitton, the pioneer printer of the Coast, and one whom the old-timers of Victoria will remember as one of the proprietors of the Victoria Gazette, a paper which had a brief existence in this city in 1858. Mr. Whitton came here from California and established the Gazette, but abandoned the venture and returned south.

Whitton had a picturesque career. He was born in Alfred, Me., December 11th, 1820. His early years were spent on a New England farm. He learned the printer's trade at Dover, N. H., where he married his wife, who died in November, 1900, and with whom he lived fifty-six years, their golden wedding having been celebrated near San Jose in 1894.

In 1844 Mr. Whitton published the Newburyport, Mass., Courier, supporting Henry Clay for the Presidency. In the early fifties he went to San Francisco and established the well-known printing firm of Whitton, Towne & Co., which printed the first number of the Pacific, the oldest newspaper of the Coast. In 1856 he was associated with James King, of William, C. O. Gerberding and James Nesbitt in the publication of the San Francisco Evening Bulletin, in the troublous vigilance committee times, when King was shot by Casey, and Casey and Cora, Hetherington and Brace were hanged by the vigilance committee.

Afterward Mr. Whitton was proprietor and publisher of the San Francisco Daily Morning Times, and afterward, in 1859, he, with Columbus Bartlett and H. C. Williston, were engaged in the publication of the Victoria Gazette. Later he engaged in printing in San Francisco, then in ranching near Sonoma, and then again for twelve years as superintendent of the students' printing office at the University of California. He was a member of the first board of trustees of the town of Berkeley, and one first president of that board. He was an active member of the Congregational denomination until the last few years of his life, established several churches and Sunday schools, and was one of the organizers of the Young Men's Christian Association of San Francisco. Mr. Whitton was the father of Charles F. Whitton, the Alameda county court reporter, and Colonel Albert K. Whitton, of the Fifth Regiment.

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CONSEQUENCES OF WRONG-DOING.

Venezuela is game. She is not daunted at all by a display of the might of the two greatest empires on the face of the globe. She has put up her hands and invited her enemies to come on. Her "fleets" have been swept from the seas, but her land forces are regarded as her shield and buckler. This attitude of defiance on the part of the insignificant, dead-beat republic may be merely a bluff. Again it may prove a serious matter, because it is impossible to say what ideas have been raised in the minds of a people of limited comprehension of world affairs by the action of a former president of the United States. The deeds of ex-President Cleveland live in the memory of the Venezuelans, and are pregnant with mischief long after the propagandist has ceased to be a factor in the political affairs of the country he so grievously misrepresented. We hesitate about putting a false construction upon the acts or misrepresenting the motives of any man. Possibly Mr. Cleveland thought he was performing a magnanimous, generous act; that he was protecting a helpless, honest nation against the encroachments of a rapacious and powerful foe. If such were his intent, events proved that he was laboring under a misapprehension. The claims of Great Britain were in substance upheld. But the actions of Venezuelans in public and in private life since the Cleveland incident indicate their belief that the application of the Monroe Doctrine shields them against the consequences of deliberate and premeditated wrong-doing. They decline to pay their debts or to meet their obligations. They evidently believe the United States will step in and by virtue of the Monroe Doctrine stay the strong hand that menaces them. The mere fact that the representative of the United States is guarding the persons and the property of the subjects of Great Britain and Germany in the crisis should open the eyes of the body that does duty as a government in the republic, and should be sufficient proof of the fact that the position of the United States has been turned. It is scarcely probable that there will be any serious trouble, however. The two governments will simply make arrangements to apply the revenue of the republic in liquidation of the claims of their subjects. When a Venezuelan government with prospects of permanence gives satisfactory guarantees that the policy of repudiation has been abandoned the warships will be withdrawn. And all South American republics will have been taught a lesson about the limitations and extensions of the Monroe Doctrine.

NEVER DISPAIR.

Hope springs eternal in the Tory breast; the party is in the wilderness now, by-and-bye it will be a blessed. That is the song of the forlorn. In other words, when battle is joined upon a real issue, victory is certain.

The tune has changed within the past few days. We were informed with the utmost confidence that the bye-elections would afford a striking proof of the change which had taken place in public opinion since the decisive Liberal victory of 1900. East and West were to furnish unmistakable evidence of the demand that has arisen in Canada for "adequate protection" for home industries. In four constituencies the tests have been applied, and it has been abundantly proven that the popularity of the government is increasing rather than waning. And so the great day of reckoning has been postponed until a more convenient season. The final annihilation of Liberalism will be undertaken about the year 1905.

Our Tory friends made the mistake of assuming that their clamorings for office were the voices of the people insisting upon a change of policy. That false impression has been removed. It has been proved to them that the noisiest forces are not the most effective. The shallow brook fusses and fumes and makes a great todo as it rushes towards the larger body in which it is eventually swallowed up. The mighty river gives no indication that it is conscious of the irresistible volume of force contained within its placid waters. The organise forces of Mr. Clark raised a tremendous uproar in Dawson City and created the hope in the mind of the impressionable Colonist that the election of Hon. J. H. Ross was "remote beyond the bounds of possibility." There were somewhere between five hundred and a thousand Americans naturalised for the express purpose of voting for the estimable Conservative candidate. This class brought the electioneering methods of the Democrats and the Republicans with them. Such tactics may be effective among people who are more susceptible to the effects of fuss and flummery than Canadians. But the great volume of public opinion in the Yukon was not affected in the slightest degree by the fiery oratory of the agitators. The results of Liberal rule were before them. The machinery of government but recently started had begun to run smoothly and without friction. Protection to person and to property is as sure, justice and equity are as firmly established, as in regions in which the most perfect human institutions have been maintained for hundreds of years. The traditions of British liberty have been maintained by granting the district representation at the very earliest opportunity. In the adjoining territory, settled a score of years earlier, under the boasted flag of the free, not only is law and order less effectively maintained, as the records prove, but the people are denied self-government and it is lamented that there is no voice at the national capital permitted to speak with authority as to the needs and aspirations of the settlers in the territory. Yet the American friends of Mr. Clark relied largely in their campaign upon assertions that the government of Canada had not moved fast enough and that Mr. Sifton is a very wicked man, unfit to be entrusted with the great powers he at present possesses. He should be turned out and a man of virtue and character like Mr. Clark installed in his stead.

The Liberal party is said to be rent in pieces by internal dissension. In spite of that disagreeable fact it puts up a fairly stiff fight against a united and harmonious Conservative organization. We tremble for the fate of the opposition when the forces under Sir Wilfrid Laurier become reconciled. The opposition will melt before it. That would be a calamity for the country, because a healthy and aggressive opposition is a necessity under our peculiar parliamentary institutions. Perhaps it would be well for the Liberals to continue to strive with each other. Then we shall be blessed with a government quite strong enough and an opposition that might be improved upon, but which will serve as a check upon an administration that is seldom astray in its judgment as to the measures necessary for the conservation and development of the interests of the country.

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General Baden-Powell, the popular English warrior, was at a luncheon recently where a celebrated physician was his fellow guest. The doctor was chaffing the soldier, and said: "How do you feel after killing a man professionally?" The general replied in his characteristic silky tone: "Oh, I don't mind it much more than you do, I dare say."

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One of the recommendations in the message of President Roosevelt has been dealt with by the House with scant courtesy. The duty on anthracite coal will not be abolished. The trusts hold the present Congress in their hands, and their hands are strong.

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Tories are evidently as scarce in the Yukon as in other parts of Canada. Ross's majority is growing. It is now 800. Might as well make it unanimous.

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The illustrations are from photographs taken specially for the Times, and several bird's-eye views were obtained after a great deal of trouble, illustrating the topography of the district. The other illustrations are of mining operations, giant timbers, marine views, etc., the whole furnishing the reader with a good idea of a land which prospective railway building will bring into immediate touch with this city.

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City News in Brief.

—John Labatt's Pale Ale is sparkling purity.

—All are invited to the meeting tonight at the Metropolitan Methodist church, which is the last but one of the special series.

—The following are the returns of the Victoria clearing house for the week ending 9th inst:—Clearings, $681,167; balances, $199,943.

—Nothing so appropriate for Xmas presents as portraits. Have yours taken now—at the Skene Lowe studio—and avoid hurry and worry.

—In the happy holiday days the ideal drink is John Labatt's crystal Indian Pale Ale. For sale by Dixi H. Ross & Co., Erskine, Wall & Co. and Saunders Grocery Co., Ltd.

—Steamer Queen City sailed for Quatsino and way ports last night, carrying a large number of passengers Among them were twenty or thirty men bound for the Yreka mining camp.

—This evening the regular monthly meeting of the Horticultural Society will take place in the city hall at 8 o'clock. There will be a lecture upon "The Culture of the Dahlia" by Mr. Wilkerson. The public are invited to be present.

—Divine service will be held at Congregation Emanu-el at 7.30 on Friday evening. Rabbi Montague N. A. Cohen will deliver the second historical and literary lecture of the winter session, subject: "The Palestinian Talmud." Service on Saturday morning at 10.15.

—At the third of the series of Advent organ recitals to be given after evening service on Sunday next at St. John's church, the organist will have the assistance of the following vocalists: Madame Laird, H. J. Cane and Herbert Taylor; violinists, T. Hood and Jesse Longfield, who will also play the concluding organ solo.

—The Musson Book Co., of Toronto, have issued an elegant art calendar with "some pictured aspects of Canadian cities." The latter include peeps of Montreal, St. John, Halifax, Sault Ste. Marie, Midland, Ottawa, Hamilton, London, Toronto, Winnipeg, Victoria, Vancouver, embellished with the artist's brush, the cover design being by the Toronto Art League. The calendar is the handsomest which has been issued in Canada in many moons.

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—The Vancouver Island Flockmasters' Association annual dinner, which is to be held at the Quamichan hotel, Duncans, on Saturday, promises to be a very enjoyable function. A large number of prominent people are invited, including Premier E. G. Prior, Hon. D. M. Eberts, Hon. J. D. Prentice, Hon. W. C. Wells, W. H. Hayward, M. P. P., George Courtney, J. Hunter, M. P. P., Hon. Senator Templeman and C. H. Dickie, M. P. P. The association would be pleased to see some of their members from Saanich, Metchosin and the Islands present.

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—A horse attached to an express wagon commenced to run away at noon today, but was stopped by a street car conductor before any damage was done.

—Steamer Edith vacated the dry dock this morning, proceeding to Seattle immediately afterwards. While in dock the steamer received a number of new plates and frames.

—"Fiddle Dee Dee" was again presented at the Victoria theatre last evening to a rather slim audience. It was the concluding performance, and as on the previous evening several of the songs, dances and the cornet solo by Irene Franklin were encored.

—The regular quarterly meeting of the board of trade will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. C. H. Lugrin will introduce two resolutions at the meeting connected with the project of the Grand Trunk's transcontinental railroad. Other business is also to come up, so that a full attendance is asked.

—This afternoon in the provincial police court a case of alleged violation of the Game Act will be heard. The information is laid by Provincial Officer Eago, who charges a man named Jennings with hunting deer with hounds. The offence is alleged to have taken place about twelve miles from this city on the Saanich road, in the Lake district. Two deer hounds are said to have been used.

—There were few unoccupied staterooms on the steamer Umatilla when she sailed for San Francisco last evening. Among those who embarked here were Captain Ludberg and wife, Miss J. Francis, Miss M. O. Fagan, C. O'Brien, Llorence O'Brien, Leslie O'Brien, Mrs. O'Brien, A. B. Devel, Mrs. A. A. Devel, Dorothy Booth, Mrs. R. Revelry, Miss C. King, John Lee, George Smith, W. Ross, E. Reid, F. H. Walsh and T. G. Walsh.

—The Mutual Life of Canada was organized in the year 1869, and during the 33 years of its history the amount it has paid to living policyholders exceeds by hundreds of thousands of dollars the amount it has paid for death claims, which shows that a policyholder in the Mutual Life of Canada does not have to die to win. The liberal features in its policy contracts are not surpassed by any company in the world. Before insuring elsewhere call for rates and sample policy at 34 Broad street. R. L. Drury, Provincial Manager.

—At Christ Church cathedral yesterday Mr. Lier Acton, of this city, and Miss A. Clark, second daughter of Mr. J. P. Clark, of Swallowfield, Berkshire, England, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. Canon Beanlands. The bride, who carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and smilax, was attired in white organdie with white chiffon hat to match. Miss Amy Acton, a niece of the groom, and Miss Lily Lemkins acted as bridesmaids. Mr. W. Acton, brother of the groom, gave the bride away. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Allen, of Clidesden rectory, Basingstoke, Hampshire, England, presented the bride with a handsome bracelet of seed pearls with gold clasps, set with diamonds and turquoise. Mr. and Mrs. L. Acton will reside in Victoria.

—The sale of work and entertainment yesterday afternoon and evening, given by the Hawthorn Circle, was a decided success from every point of view. A large audience assembled at 8 o'clock to listen to the very excellent programme rendered. Instrumental numbers were given by Misses McGregor and Shrapnel, Mrs. A. L. Dean sang "Swallows," responding to an encore with "Annie Laurie," and Miss E. Lawson read "The Philosophy of Mrs. Wiggs." Then came an artistic rendering of Jean Ingelow's poem, "Songs of Seven." The different parts of the poem were given by the following: Miss Helen Clay, Miss Ethel Green, Miss Hattie Mackay, Miss Agnes Renny, Misses Helen and Mary Clay, Miss Gertrude Macfarlane, Mrs. James Simon, Miss Bessie Heaney, Miss Margaret Leitch, Mrs. G. J. Burnett, and Masters Gilzean, Paterson and Percy Mess.

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THE NAVY LEAGUE.

Enthusiastic Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon—Branch to Be Formed in Vancouver.

The monthly meeting of the committee of the Navy League was held in the hon. secretary's office yesterday afternoon, and in consequence of the absence from the city on circuit of the president (Hon. Mr. Justice Martin), Vice-President Fraser presided. Others present were Capt. C. E. Clarke, W. W. Langley, G. W. Woollett, J. Peirson and Capt. J. Gaudin. After the usual routine had been disposed of discussion on Sunday points of interest followed, and great satisfaction being expressed as to the effective work being carried on in the eastern provinces. Through the efforts of H. Fraser Wyatt, special envoy from the parent league, branches have been formed in Montreal, Ottawa, St. Johns, N. B., and other places. Whilst in Ottawa Mr. Wyatt was in touch with some of the cabinet ministers, and it is hoped that his visit may lead to good results from the Dominion government. There seems to be a general awakening to the vast importance of the British navy being "strong and ready" as the first line of defence, as well for the Empire, as its immense sea-borne commerce, which in value is greater than that of all the other nations combined, whilst the mercantile marine tonnage of the Empire is more than double that of France, Russia, Germany, Italy and the United States all put together.

In view of the fact that the present dry dock at Esquimalt will not accommodate large battleships of modern build, it was thought such steps should be taken as will provide for the largest vessels in His Majesty's navy. The hope was expressed that due attention might speedily be given by the proper authorities to this very necessary auxiliary to the naval requirements of the Pacific station.

A branch of the league is to be formed in Vancouver, with Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper as president.

Hon. Colonel Prior was unanimously and amid most pleasurable expressions elected a vice-president of this branch of the league.

The meeting then adjourned to the 14th January.

THE ARION CLUB.

First of the Winter Series of Concerts to Be Given To-Night.

The Arion Club will give the first concert of their winter series in the Institute hall to-night. Among those who will assist are Mrs. Anna S. Norton, contralto, who has recently arrived from the Sound, and Herbert Taylor, of this city. Another well known contributor is A. H. Ritchie, the violinist, who is connected with the Alexandra College of Music. The programme is as follows:

PART I.

Salamis, with Baritone Solo ....
Herbert Taylor.
The Worker .... Gounod
Mrs. Anna S. Norton.
Antoinette ....
Cradle Song ....
Concerto in D Minor .... Max Bruch
A. H. Ritchie.
On the Sea ....

PART II.

The Bugle Song ....
Baritone Solo—Lend Me Thine Aid..Gounod
Herbert Taylor.
Spanish Dance .... Sarasate
A. H. Ritchie.
The Dance ....
(a) The Merry Lark .... Nevin
(b) The Soldier's Bride .... Schumann
(c) O, That We Two Were Maying..Nevin
Mrs. Anna S. Norton.
Forge Song—Chorus of Smiths ....

LOCAL ARTISTS.

Concert to Be Given in Which Miss Goodwin Will Take Part.

Miss Goodwin was accorded a warm reception upon her return to the city last evening. The many guests invited to be present at the reception given by Mrs. H. Dallas Helmcken enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the Driard.

During her visit in the city an opportunity will be accorded Victorians to hear Miss Goodwin. This will take place on Tuesday of next week. The proceeds are to be devoted to a charitable purpose. While the great attraction at the concert to be given will be the opportunity of marking the result of the three years' training which Miss Goodwin has undergone, it will not be the only feature of the entertainment.

Mrs. Helmcken has taken a great amount of trouble in preparing for the event, and has a varied programme to present. It is to be given under the patronage of His Honor Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere.

Herbert Taylor will contribute to the programme, and the pianist will be Miss Gertie Loewen. Miss Nellie Prior, who has remarkable talent in singing coon songs, will appear in that role. The Florodora Sextette will be introduced by local singers, the following taking part in it: Misses Prior, Green, Worlock, Hunt, Sehl, and Ametta Goodwin, and R. Powell, G. Phillips, A. Gore, Chas. Pooley, R. Worlock and T. Holman.

There will also be introduced a number of fancy dances. Maggie Hill will appear in the butterfly dance, and several little girls will give special numbers in this class.

LIBRARY SITE.

To the Editor:—There does not appear to be any end in view of the various disputes as to a site for the Carnegie library. Neither is the discussion an edifying one, being composed of the partizans of, apparently, endless little cliques, each having its own particular axe to grind, and each having its own little bit of land on which, for private reasons and personal gain, it desires to see the proposed library erected. As to which would be the best site in the interests at once of the city, its inhabitants and its visitors, that trifling detail is entirely lost sight of in the "clash of warring claims."

Now, I take it for granted that the position of the proposed library must be central. This is for three reasons. First, because of its object, which is to benefit all ranks of our citizens, irrespective of class or locality. Second, because the building itself will of necessity be of no mean architectural proportions or designs, and would therefore be quite out of place in a sequestered or distant part of the city. Third, for the convenience of Victoria's large and growing tourist population, which has clearly assumed dimensions demanding every consideration on the part of those having the true welfare of the city at heart. In regard to the third reason just mentioned—that of the tourist traffic—a most extraordinary contention is being made by some of the luminous disputants in the columns of the local press. It is nothing less than that the library will not in any way add to the attractions of Victoria from a tourist point of view, and need not be considered in that light at all. Now it would be hard to conceive a more erroneous idea than this. As a matter of fact the truth is the direct opposite of this mistaken notion. Public libraries, reading rooms, and all buildings of this class, where they exist in a town, are central points of interest for visitors. Especially is this the case where the building itself is a noticeable feature of the city, whether from size or architectural beauty, or both causes. Moreover, the transient visitor to a city naturally wends his steps to a building in whose reading room he may peruse the journals of his native town or country, or pass a quiet hour resting from the exertions of more active sight-seeing. Anyone familiar with the large establishments of this kind in the principal cities of the East and the Old Country must have been struck with the great number of visitors from outside points who may be seen there. Now, I think it may be taken as a fact that the convenience of the tourist population must be largely studied in determining upon a suitable library site.

Finally, the proposed library should not be erected in a spot where its architectural beauties and proportions can be dwarfed by surrounding structures; nor, on the other hand, should it be placed where it will put at a disadvantage other public buildings already erected.

Where, then, shall a desirable site, as above defined, be found? Well, there is the east side of Douglas street, between View and Yates streets. In this spot the beauty of one of Victoria's finest and largest streets is disgraced by a row of dilapidated frame structures and a hideous board fence. The locality is conveniently central, being in close proximity to two car lines, the theatre, and the Imperial, Driard, Vernon and Balmoral hotels. The library might be erected at either corner of this space; that is, on the southeast corner of Yates and Douglas streets, or on the northeast corner of View and Douglas streets. A building of the size and dignity of the Carnegie library would, on either of these two sites, be neither dwarfed by surrounding edifices nor itself dwarf them; while at the same time it would occupy a commanding and central position, easily and equally accessible from all parts of the city and within immediate touch of the leading hotels' accommodation of Victoria, as well as of the main arteries of commercial traffic.

I have ventured to trespass thus extensively upon your valuable space, because I think either of the two sites I have mentioned must strike any unbiassed observer as being by far the most suitable of the many locations proposed for the erection of this much discussed building, and I think also that careful consideration will induce the public to see it in the same light.

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The strike crisis at Marseilles appears to be over. Many sailors and others went to work yesterday, and quays began to resume their customary aspect of activity.

SPORTING

HAN[illegible]BALL.

A TOU[illegible]NAMENT.

On Wednesday [illegible] evening next a handball tournament will [illegible] be held at the Fernwood Club rooms in [illegible] which players from the J. B. A. A., Fi[illegible] Hall and Fernwood clubs will particip[illegible].

[illegible]DOOR BASEBALL.

SATURDAY'S GAME.

On [illegible]turday evening at the drill hall Victo[illegible] will have an opportunity of seei[illegible] an exhibition of indoor baseball. Th[illegible] teams, which from all accounts are v[illegible] evenly matched, follow:

V. A. C.—Catcher, W. Lorimer; pitcher, C. Wrigglesworth; first base, Ed. Milne; 2nd base, G. Burns; third base, Haynes; short stop, McConnell; left field, Potts; centre, Smith; right field, Neal.

Fifth Regiment—Catcher, Sergt. Nesbitt; pitcher, Gunner Fell; first base, Sergt. Hayward; second base, Gunner Wolfenden; third base, Gunner McKay; short stop, Sergt. Sweet; left field, Gunner Jose; centre field, Corp. Little; left field, Gunner Lawson.

BASKETBALL.

MEET TO-NIGHT.

This evening those interested in the project of forming a junior basketball league will meet at the V. A. C. hall. All entries must be received by to-night. After the formation of the league and adoption of some general rules, etc., the schedule of games will be drafted.

INTERMEDIATE GAME.

An intermediate league match will be played this evening between the J. B. A. A. and Capital City. The teams follow:

James Bay—Guards, J. Donaldson and S. Nason; centre, R. Power; forwards, L. Foote and G. McDonald; spare man, Jenkinson.

Capital City—Guards, Temple and Morrison; centre, J. Richmond; forwards, Loveridge and Laing.

PING PONG.

CENTENNIAL TOURNEY.

The ping pong tournament held on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Centennial Methodist church schoolroom was largely attended. The room was tastefully decorated with flowers and evergreens by the young ladies of the church. In the ladies' singles Miss M. Spence was victorious after a very closely contested match with Miss Newby.

The results of Tuesday evening's play follows: A. D. Macdonald beat A. Belyea, 6-2, 6-4; Rev. Mr. Westman beat T. P. D. Sargison, 6-1, 6-2; G. V. Simpson beat C. M. Brown, 6-3, 6-1; J. Rickaby beat Dr. Verrinder, by default; E. B. Wallace beat J. Simpson, 6-2, 5-6, 6-3; S. Child beat G. M. Grant, 6-3, 6-4; H. Pendray beat F. S. Bone, 1-6, 6-1, 6-2; J. W. D. York beat R. Lindsay, 6-0, 6-0; W. H. Bone beat F. F. Brown, 6-3, 6-3; A. Marconini beat J. Pettierew, 6-0, 6-1; A. McDonald beat C. B. Deaville, by default; J. V. Y. Simpson beat Rev. J. P. Westman, 6-1, 6-3; J. W. D. York beat H. Pendray, 6-1, 6-1; Dr. Garesche beat A. Marconini, 6-1, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles—E. B. Wallace and Miss A. Spence beat J. Rickaby and Miss Rickaby, 5-6, 6-4, 6-2; J. W. D. York and partner beat T. S. Bone and Miss Newby, 6-3, 6-4; A. D. Belyea and Miss M. Spence beat A. Lindsay and Miss E. Lindsay, 6-4, 6-5.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA v. ARTILLERY.

On Saturday Victoria and the R. A. meet in a return game at Caledonia grounds. When these teams met before the local boys won by a very narrow margin after a close and exciting struggle. They will try to repeat the performance on Saturday, but will have their work cut out, as the R. A. have a very strong team and will do their utmost to win. The local team will be published to-morrow night.

VANCOUVER GAMES.

Definite arrangements have been made by the three local Rugby clubs, junior, intermediate and senior, to go to Vancouver and play the three teams of that city on Saturday, January 10th. In the meantime the members of the different teams will get into shape for the games.

It was originally the intention of the Victoria clubs to play on Saturday, December 6th, but a request was received from Vancouver to postpone the games until the 13th. The secretary of the local club, after an interview with the senior players, ascertained that quite a number would be unable to get off on that date, so it was decided to notify Vancouver that it was impossible to go up, and that January 10th would be the most convenient date for the local teams.

HOCKEY.

TRAINING HARD.

It is not likely that the Vancouver and Victoria Hockey Clubs will meet until the New Year. The members of both teams are training hard for the struggle.

GAME TO-MORROW.

To-morrow afternoon a match will be played between the Victoria ladies' hockey team and the High school girls at Oak Bay. Keen rivalry exists between these teams. The ladies will be able to get in a good practice by this game for their match with Vancouver on the 29th.

BARRACKS v. VANCOUVER.

To-morrow evening the team of the Work Point barracks will leave for Vancouver for the purpose of meeting the Vancouver eleven.

Referring to this game, the Vancouver World says:

"The members of the Vancouver hockey team put in a good practice at the Point on Saturday afternoon, but the work of the players was disappointing when one considers the amount of practice which the team have had. There was altogether too much individual work in Saturday's practice, and combination plays were rare. However, with several more work-outs before next Saturday, when the locals meet the Barracks, there should be a change of form. Captain Shallcross believes that his men are capable of putting up a better article in the game than that shown on Saturday."

LADIES' GAME.

As was announced in these columns some time ago, the game arranged to take place here next Saturday between the ladies' teams of Vancouver and Victoria has been postponed, on the request of the former. The match will not likely be played until after Christmas. A Vancouver exchange gives the following reason for the putting off of this match: "The match which was to have taken place in Victoria next Saturday between the Vancouver and Victoria ladies' teams has been postponed until Dec. 29th. After the practice on Tuesday last, the management came to the conclusion that the team was not sufficiently strong to meet the Capital City players yet."

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

ENGINEERS WON.

The game played yesterday at the Canteen grounds between the Egeria and Royal Engineer teams resulted in a win for the latter eleven by a score of 2 to 1, after a hard struggle. The game was closely contested from start to finish, and although the Engineers won they had to work hard, and had it not been for their excellent defence it is doubtful if the score would have been the same.

Play commenced shortly after 3 p. m., and the Engineers took the ball down the field with a rush, and after some pretty combination among the forwards put the ball through the goal. Baker did the scoring. From the kick off both teams played well, neither gaining any material advantage. This condition of affairs continued, the Egeria eleven putting up a game equal in every respect to the Engineers, except perhaps in the defence. No further goals were made in the first half.

The second portion of the match showed up the Egeria eleven to considerably better advantage than the first. The Engineers' defence was assaulted again and again, but with unerring judgment the ball was obtained by the backs at the right minute and returned well down field. From one of these kicks the ball was taken by the Engineer forward line and carried into Egeria territory, when a long accurate kick from Longlan sent it through for the second time for the Engineers. Play was on the Engineers' side of the field for the most part, and Harvey was given some work. These attacks were frustrated by the excellent defence for a time, but Reynolds eventually scored for the Egeria. All the efforts of the Egeria team to secure another goal failed. The teams follow:

Royal Engineers—Goal, Harvey; backs, Reid and Baker; half backs, Walter, Salmon and Miller; forwards, Taylor, Longlan, Colley, Snelgrove and Clinch.

Egeria—Goal, Lloyd; backs, Dunn and Donovan; half backs, Phipps, Evans and May; forwards, Yuen, Wrench, Chamberlain, Reynolds and Perkins.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

The meeting of the Junior Association Football League, which was called for last evening at the V. A. C. hall, was attended by the greater number of representatives of the different teams, but nothing could be done on account of the absence of the secretary. An informal discussion took place on matters pertaining to the league. There is a feeling of dissatisfaction with the tactics adopted by some of the youngsters when they see that they are outclassed by other teams. It was held by a number of those present that the members of the Victoria West team in the last game with Central wasted time by kicking the ball as far as possible off the field on every opportunity.

A. E. HARRISS FELICITATED.

The East and West Send Congratulations on the Successful Inauguration of Festivals.

Charles A. E. Harriss has received the following communications, one from the city council of Victoria, B. C., and one from the Mayor of Halifax, N. S., congratulating him upon the successful organization of his series of festivals arranged to celebrate the coronation year in the Dominion of Canada:

City Clerk's Office,
Victoria, B. C., October 21st, 1902.

Sir:—I am directed to acquaint you that the information of the successful organization of your scheme of festivals has come as welcome news to the city council, and they desire to extend to you their congratulations in promoting an undertaking so important, and one which cannot fail to be of far reaching benefit to the Dominion.

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Mayor's Office,
Halifax, N. S., November 7th, 1902.

Dear Mr. Harriss:—I offer you congratulations and join hands with His Worship the Mayor of Victoria in wishing you every measure of success in having accomplished a work, the magnitude of which will provide Canada with a series of important musical festivals promised under such magnificent auspices. I am sure the young talent of our country will greatly benefit from these festivals, whilst affording generally much pleasurable enjoyment to our public in the forthcoming performances given under such a distinguished personage as Sir Alexander C. MacKenzie, composer and principal of the London Royal Academy of Music. May your praiseworthy efforts be crowned with all success.

Yours truly,
H. B. CROSBY, Mayor.

Charles A. E. Harriss, Esq., Earnscliffe, Ottawa.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
3rd to 9th December, 1902.

The weather for the week just ended has been of the typical winter conditions on this Pacific Coast.

The week commenced with a rapid decrease of barometric pressure over British Columbia, a storm area of considerable energy centring on the Vancouver Island coast. This caused, during the next two days, heavy rainfall and strong southerly winds or gales from the Island southward along the Washington coast. On Friday a high barometer area appeared off the California coast, which developed and moved northward, the low area at the same time covering British Columbia. During Saturday and Sunday this high area still further developed, until its limits extended from the Pacific to the borders of the province of Ontario.

On Sunday a fresh disturbance appeared off Vancouver Island which gradually increased in energy, and by Monday night became central on the Washington coast, holding its position there until Tuesday evening, when indications appeared of an increase of pressure and the prospects of an interval of fairer weather. During the week very heavy gales have prevailed at the entrance to the Straits of Juan de Fuca, where hourly wind velocities of over 50 miles were reported; the rainfall has been heavy and snow has fallen from the West Coast to the adjacent Sooke hills, and also at Nanaimo and its vicinity; snow has also fallen in Cariboo, the Kootenays and the valley of the Thompson river.

Storm signals were displayed at this station and at Vancouver on the 2nd and 8th. The week taken altogether may be considered as a very stormy one. In the Canadian Northwest a cold wave set in and still continues, the temperature falling to 32 degrees below zero. The snowfall has been light, and extensive high barometer areas have for the most part covered the entire region.

At Victoria, 9 hours and 24 minutes of bright sunshine were recorded; the highest temperature was 48.3 on the 3rd, and the lowest 34.6 on the 5th; rainfall, 1.16 inches.

At New Westminster, the highest temperature, 42 on 9th; lowest, 28 on 7th; rainfall, 1.84 inches.

At Kamloops, the highest temperature, 44 on 5th; lowest, 12 on 7th; precipitation, 0.88 inch.

At Barkerville, highest temperature, 26 on 4th; lowest, 4 below zero on 6th; snowfall, 5 inches.

The following is the summary of the weather for November, 1902:

Precipitation.

	Rain.	Snow.	Total. Inches.
Victoria, V. I.	6.12	.30	6.15
Beaver Lake, V. I.	8.86	..	8.86
Goldstream, V. I.	12.35	11.00	13.45
Alberni, V. I.	9.29	8.75	10.16
French Creek, V. I.	5.05	2.50	5.30
Kuper Island	7.88	.74	7.95
Vancouver	10.26	..	10.26
Point Atkinson (Caulfields)	10.53	..	10.53
New Westminster	10.48	2.70	10.75
Point Garry	5.67	..	5.67
Coquitlam	12.89	..	12.89
Chilliwack	10.22	8.50	11.07
Kamloops	.08	7.00	.72
Barkerville	..	30.00	3.00

At Victoria, 56 hours of bright sunshine were recorded; highest temperature, 54.9 on 10th; and lowest, 33.4 on 29th; mean temperature for the month, 44.6. The total number of miles registered on the anemograph was 6,764, and the direction as follows: North, 1,324; northeast, 534; east, 567; southeast, 1,524; south, 415; southwest, 1,134; west, 1,112; northwest, 154.

At New Westminster, highest temperature was 53.5 on 2nd; lowest, 28.0 on 18th and 22nd; mean temperature, 40.3.

At Vancouver, highest temperature, 56 on 10th; and lowest, 30 on 18th and 19th.

At Point Garry, highest temperature, 55 on 10th; lowest, 26 on 22nd; mean temperature, 41.4.

At Alberni, highest temperature, 52.1 on 2nd and 3rd; lowest, 27.9 on 27th; mean, 40.6.

At Duncans, highest temperature, 57 on 4th; lowest, 29 on 6th.

At French Creek, highest temperature, 54 on 2nd and 3rd; lowest, 28 on 27th.

At Chilliwack, highest temperature, 52 on 2nd, 3rd and 21st; lowest, 26 on 9th.

At Kamloops, highest temperature, 56.7 on 2nd; lowest, 9.3 on 8th.

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	P.M.	
Nanaimo	12.40	8.20
Ar. Wellington	12.53	Lv. 8.00

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"Father!" and her eyes flashed angrily. "How can you, how dare you say such a thing? Would you see me left alone, helpless, forsaken?"

"You will be well provided for when I am gone."

"And you would leave me a helpless invalid among sharpers and harpies to be cheated and robbed?"

"Heaven knows, my child, I would shield you in every possible way."

"And encourage Dorothy, my natural protector, to follow some worthless man about the world and leave me to my fate."

"Would you have Dodo remain with you always?" he questioned, with a troubled look in his eyes.

"Would you have her leave me, knowing as you do that you are growing old?"

"I hope I am good for many years yet," he said, briskly. "In fact, as years count, I am a comparatively young man."

"Boast not of to-morrow, father," she said, solemnly, "and please do not hint again what you have hinted to-day."

"But it isn't wise to ignore probabilities," he said, stoutly.

"Do you wish to make me ill, father?"

"By no means, Elizabeth. I wish to Heaven I could cure you."

"That would be as wrong and foolish as the other. By this time you ought to have recognized the great purpose that is being wrought out in me and in others through me."

"I try to look at things in that light sometimes," he said, doubtfully; "but your faith is not given to all."

"If we grow selfish we grow blind," she said, severely. "Dorothy must be saved from that. She must be taught that it is her highest duty to trample self under her feet."

"In which way?" he questioned, feebly.

"Time will reveal that," she said, loftily, and ignoring the puzzledlook on his face she left him.

Basil spent three idle days with Philip Duncan and then he hurried back to town. It was in vain Philip pressed him to stay.

"I'm in too restless a mood to be happy doing nothing," he said.

"I should have thought you would have been glad of a little rest after a long spell of work," Phil urged.

"I admit I ought to be," Basil said with a laugh, "but I'm not."

"And I have seen so little of you," Phil pleaded.

"My dear fellow, whose fault is that? Why did you never come across to see me?"

"You know, Basil, I'm not given to visiting."

"But you like the Clevelands."

"I'm very fond of them."

"And you've known Dodo since she was a girl."

"Yes, yes. I fancy I shall always think of her as a girl," and a dreamy, distant look came into his eyes.

"And you never came to see her all the time I was working at her portrait."

"My dear Basil, I never bore people if I can avoid it."

"Of course you don't. But she regards you as one of her oldest friends."

"Does she still?" and a tinge of color came quickly into Phil's pale cheeks and as quickly vanished.

"Of course she does, and I don't think you ought to neglect her now simply because she has grown up."

"She does not look upon it as neglect, I am sure."

Basil looked at him for a moment in silence and then laughed. "You are a funny fellow, Phil," he said at length. "If I were in your place I should make love to that girl. She's one in a thousand."

"You are quite right in that, Basil. But love does not come to everybody."

"It's quite time it came to you, at any rate," was the laughing rejoinder, and then the conversation drifted away to other subjects.

Basil was strongly tempted during the three days he spent with Phil to walk across to Sandhurst, and he would have done so if he could have found some reasonable excuse. If the weather had kept fine he would have explored the neighborhood in the hope of falling across Dorothy in some of the villages and hamlets. But November had come in rainy and cold, and he was glad to sit with his heels on the fender before a roaring fire most of the day.

So he went away from Lynbrook without seeing Dorothy. It cost him a pang to do so, but he put a brave face on the matter and tried to assure himself that he would soon forget her. In his heart he knew better. For good or ill she had come into his life to stay. He might never see her again, but for many a long day to come she would continue to influence him. Her face would haunt his memory, her words would linger in his heart. Life could never be for him again as if he had never seen her.

As soon as he got back to his rooms he began making sketches for his new picture, and hope kept him company during all the winter days that followed. As the spring advanced hope gave place to a strong assurance. At last his dream was growing into shape.

He kept several smaller pictures on the stocks, all of them more or less inspired by the same subject, but "My Lady Bountiful" was the picture on which he had set his heart, and into which he put the best of his thought and life.

During all those months he lived in imagination with Dorothy. It was her face that he painted, her smile that urged him on. In truth, he painted the picture for her. She was sure to see it. Sometimes she and her father came up for the private view, perhaps they would meet. Would she recognize herself in the picture? Would she interpret it aright? Would she understand?

Phil came up to town early in the year and took rooms as was his custom. Every now and then he dropped in to see Basil and have a smoke with him, and whenever he came he was welcome. He was his friend, his most honest critic, his most fearless defender.

He grew almost as much interested in the picture as Basil was himself.

"At last you are doing yourself justice," he said one day. "It is going to be a great picture."

"I hope so," Basil answered with flushed cheeks.

"I am sure of it. It is leagues and leagues beyond anything you have ever done before."

"You should wait until it is finished before you say that," Basil said.

"My dear fellow, you know yourself I am speaking the truth."

"I hope you are. Indeed, I think you are; though I am not certain that a man is ever the best judge of his own work."

"Then take my word for it," Phil said with a laugh.

So the days sped on and grew into weeks, and Basil's passion for his work grew and intensified. He knew no weariness, never grew tired of looking at the canvas; never lost the inspiration that came to him months before while looking at Dorothy. With the hand of a lover he looked into the sweet eyes that had grown under his hand, and when the work was completed he knew what he had been unwilling to admit to himself before, that not his art but Dorothy was the crown and inspiration of his life.

He had never heard from the Clevelands since he left them. He often wondered if Dorothy had forgotten him, or if she regarded him as she would a journeyman decorator or paperhanger, who, when his work was done and his account paid, passed out of recollection.

But such a thought was too humiliating, and more than that, it would be unjust to her. He was not a mere painter, he was an artist, and though he had pocketed her father's cheque he was not the less her equal on that account.

As the time drew near for the opening of the Academy, Basil became intensely nervous. He knew that more was at stake than any of his friends guessed. For fame itself he did not care so much. It would be pleasant, no doubt, to have his picture well spoken of. More than pleasant to have it named among the great pictures of the year, and at one time such distinction would have been the highest reward he could think of, but something had happened since then. He wanted fame still, but only that he might lay it at Dorothy's feet. She was the prize he wanted to win.

He no longer tried to hide from himself the fact that she was all the world to him. He loved her when he rambled across the park by her side in the pale autumn sunshine; but in the months that had passed since the fire had grown into a raging flame.

He doubted then whether the feeling was love at all. But he did not doubt now.

"Oh, I love her, I love her," he would say to himself when alone in the studio.

But, as an unknown and impecunious artist, what chance had love of winning a hearing? He could not run the risk of being thought a mere money hunter. Unless he could make a name for himself he must eat out his heart in silence, and if this picture failed to win him distinction, he felt as though he would never be able to paint again. He was staking his all upon a single chance.

He learnt in good time that his picture had been accepted by the hanging committee, and later still the welcome assurance reached him that it was well hung.

But what would be its fate? That was the question now of all questions. Placed in competition with a thousand others would anybody notice it? Was it doomed to sink into obscurity as so many thousands of other pictures had done, or would it stand out from the rest with a distinction all its own?

He became so nervous and excited that he could neither eat nor sleep. His early assurance gave place to gloomy foreboding, and to-morrow would be the private view.

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Provincial News.

VANCOUVER.

Logging operations were suspended in many upcoast camps and unless the snow disappears shortly before a thaw some shortage of logs may be looked for.

Bernard McEvoy, the well known Canadian author and journalist, is spending some days in this city. Mr. McEvoy's last visit to this province resulted in a number of splendid articles regarding British Columbia, which appeared in the Toronto Mail.

A man named George Bentley, of Seymour street, fell off Stimson's wharf into the water and his calls attracted the attention of L. O'Neill, who happened to be passing on Water street. Two young men came along shortly after, and the three succeeded after great trouble in holding the drowning man out of water until two policemen had secured a boat and rescued the man.

On board the Cassiar were two men convicted of selling liquor to Indians. The men, George West and William August, were tried before Ward DeBeck, Indian agent at Alert Bay. Each was sentenced upon conviction to a term of six months' imprisonment with the alternative of paying a fine of $300. West lived at Heriot Bay and August at Bold Point.

The funeral of the late Martin Kirwin, a logger, who died at St. Paul's hospital on Friday last, took place on Tuesday. The deceased, who was about 40 years of age, was at one time a resident of St. Paul, Minn., where his family lived. His father and mother are dead, but several sisters and a brother survive him.

The call recently issued by the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church congregation to the Rev. J. W. MacMillan, of Lindsay, Ont., will probably be declined before being formally presented. The elders of the church have received the following telegram from Mr. MacMillan: "Please stop proceedings with call. "Writing." As previously announced, the Bank Street Church, Ottawa, and St. Andrew's, Winnipeg, are both anxious to secure Mr. MacMillan as their pastor. Pending the receipt of the letter no action will be taken, but presuming the letter is an intimation that the call cannot be accepted, it is probable that a meeting will at once be called and a formal call moderated to the Rev. R. W. Knox, of Guelph, Ont., who is at present taking a post-graduate course at Glasgow University.

A meeting of those interested in placer mining was held on Monday night to consider and take action upon some plan to be devised whereby the claims of placer miners canbe properly solidified and presented to the government at the next session of the legislature. It is stated that many amendments are necessary to the present Placer Mining Act if the exploration and exploitation of deep placer mines, hydraulic and drift mining in British Columbia is to be prosecuted to the extent that the placer gold areas in the province warrant. One special change demanded by the placer miners is the granting of crown grants, under proper restrictions, instead of only leasehold rights, as at present. Among those present were: Senator Reid, Messrs. H. Taylor, J. Deacon, H. Carey, W. Betts, McNevan, all of whom are interested in the Cariboo district; also Mr. Holt, who has claims on the Skeena; Satchell Clark, interested in Fraser river dredging claims; Mr. Roberts, representing interests at Yale; W. McCraney, representing Atlin interests; W. Shannon and others. The outcome of the discussion was the adoption of a resolution to the effect that it is in the best interests of the province and of placer mining that crown grants be issued to lease-holders, under proper restrictions. Senator Reid, W. Shannon and H. Carey were appointed a committee to draw up an outline of the suggested amendments, which will be reported to a meeting to be held on Thursday, December 18th. It is proposed that copies of this draft shall be sent to every placer camp in the province and an expression of the miners obtained before presenting a petition to the government.

A very interesting lecture was delivered in Labor hall on Tuesday night by Rev. E. Robson. Mr. Robson is the pioneer minister of the Methodist church in British Columbia, and his subject "Hitting the Trail," was given to a description of his journey from Montreal to Vancouver, 44 years ago, when he was sent here as a missionary. His journey was made by steamer from New York to the Isthmus of Panama, thence by rail across the Isthmus to Panama City, and from there by steamer again to San Francisco and Victoria. The primitive travelling conveniences of those days were graphically described, as well as the scenes and incidents of the journey. The Panama railway, 47 miles long, the speaker observed, was the first trans-continental line, and its workmanship and rolling stock were such as would cause a smile in these days of scientific railroading. Its construction was begun in 1850 and finished in 1855.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place on Tuesday morning at the residence of Mrs. Smith, on Barnard street, the contracting parties being Mr. P. McDonald and Miss Bertha Ward, both of Shoal Bay, the bride's father, Mr. John Ward, being proprietor of the hotel at that place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. G. MacBeth, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. After the ceremony the wedding breakfast took place, and Mr. and Mrs. McDonald then left by the Charmer for Victoria and the Sound cities, where the honeymoon will be spent. On their return they will take up their residence at Shoal Bay.

Detective Mulhearn by some very clever work appears to have the parties directly or indirectly implicated in the recent child murder safely in jail. Officer Mulhearn, after following up several clues that proved delusive, went back to first principles, and examined the grave, the box and the clothing found in the box. The box contained the word Wilbor. The initials W. L. T., and the name K. Kimura faintly traced with lead pencil. He decided that Wilbor could mean nothing else than a logging camp that he had some times heard of, and that W. L. T. stood for W. L. Tait. He visited all the northern British Columbia boats and finally ascertained that such a box came from Wilbor camp with a dead deer inside of it, and that K. Kimura, or the owner, accompanied it. Detective Mulhearn then looked up K. Kimura. He heard of a man in Steveston of that name, but subsequently learned from this man that he knew nothing of the box, but he had a brother in Vancouver. The brother was located from the address given and was apprehended. Kamura admitted that he had brought the box from the North which he had turned over with its contents, the dead deer, to one Suziko, the proprietor of a Jap boarding house. Subsequently Suziko, a Jap woman named Masunaka, a Jap named Haro and a Jap woman said to Mrs. Haro, were arrested and locked up.

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Take notice that probate of the will of Patrick Murphy, dated the 4th September, 1891, and codicils dated respectively the 14th August, 1894, and the 1st November, 1898, who died at Kelseyville, California, on the 10th day of November, 1902, was this day granted by the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving to Samuel Perry Mills and Joseph Austen Sayward, the executors therein named.

And take notice that, pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, all creditors and others having claims against the estate are requested to send by post or deliver to the executors or to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of January, 1903, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution

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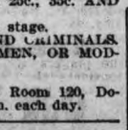

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Dated this first day of December, 1903, Duncans, B. C.

JOHN N. EVANS,
Attorney for Executrix, Martha Smithe, Duncans.

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Municipal Election, 1903.

Notice is hereby given that in order to qualify as voters at the forthcoming municipal election, either as license holders or householders, such persons are required, during the month of December, to make and subscribe before a Supreme or County Court Judge, Stipendiary or Police Magistrate, Commissioner for taking Affidavits in the Supreme Court, Justice of the Peace or Notary Public, the statutory declaration provided by the "Municipal Elections Act." This declaration may be made before Mr. W. W. Northcott, City Assessor, who is a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Victoria, at his office, City Hall. Assessed real estate owners are not required to make this declaration.

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Victoria, B. C., Nov. 20th, 1902.

NOTICE.

Application will be made by the undersigned at the next meeting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, to be held after the expiration of one month from this date, for the transfer of the license to sell beer, spirits and other fermented liquors by retail at the St. George's Hotel, Esquimalt road, Victoria, from Stephen Harold Roblin and Phillip Crombie to Hugh Simpson, of Esquimalt, British Columbia.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1902.

S. H. ROBLIN,
P. CROMBIE.

Take notice that at the expiration of thirty days from this date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease for fishing purposes the foreshore (including the rights attached thereto) in Metchosin District, fronting a part of my property at Pedder Bay: Commencing at a post marked "A. T. W., N. E. Cor.," planted on the shore at a point between high and low water mark at or near the southerly end of the boundary line between the William Head Quarantine Station and my property, thence seaward in continuation of said boundary line one half mile, thence west one half mile, thence north to shore line and easterly along the shore line to place of beginning, and including the foreshore and land covered with water.

Dated at Victoria this 26th day of November, 1902.

A. T. WATT.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a Crown Grant or a lease of the foreshore opposite my land, being a portion of the S. E. quarter of Section 11, Township 11, Renfrew District, commencing at a point on the eastern boundary of the S. E. ¼ Section 11, Township 11, Renfrew District, which is twenty-two chains eighty-five links south of the N. E. corner of the ¼ Section; thence in a south and westerly direction, following the shore line and crossing the slough at the narrowest point; thence in a southeasterly direction, following the shore line to its intersection with the southern boundary; thence east along such boundary to the middle of the channel; thence in a N. E. direction, following such middle line of channel to the eastern boundary, and thence following eastern boundary to point of commencement.

Dated at Victoria this 27th day of November, 1902.

FRANK V. HOBBS.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

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CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

To the Editor:—I wish to call your attention to a most brutal and uncalled for beating a horse received at the hands of its driver on the corner of Douglas and Yates streets. A steam roller caused the horse to shy to one side. The driver seems to have lost complete control of his temper. He jumped to the ground and violently and mercilessly tugged at the reins, kicked the horse and otherwise abused it, so as to cause comment on the part of several persons passing by. He was even seen to dismount further down the street and once more abuse the almost distracted animal. I think it a case for the S. P. C. A. to thoroughly investigate.

A WITNESS.

—Labatt's London Ale $1.25 per doz. at best dealers.

—Early this afternoon a Chinese fireman at the Dallas hotel was arrested by Constable Munro charged with stealing $20 from a couple of fellow countrymen employed at that house as cooks.

—Arrangements have been made for a justice of the peace to be at Labor hall to-morrow evening between 7 and 9 o'clock to take declarations of those desirous of registering as voters in the approaching elections.

—A set of operating instruments belonging to Dr. Ernest Hall were stolen in Vancouver on Monday last. They were in the care of a nurse, who went up from this city and who left them and her baggage in the charge of an agent of the transfer company. The latter says he put them in the waiting room of the tramway company's establishment. The Vancouver police are investigating the theft.

—Work at Point Ellice bridge, in preparation for the laying of the substructure of the new bridge, is progressing favorably, and if the operations are not blocked by inclement weather it is expected that by next week the substructure will be commenced. The cyclinders which supported the original bridge were dislodged the other day by dynamite. The car line has been placed on the city side of the bridge, and cars are now running through to Esquimalt.

—Ald. Vincent has given notice that at the next meeting of the council he will move that the day fixed in the report of the streets, bridges and sewers committee dated July 11th and adopted by the council, for taking the plebiscite on the library site, be changed to January 15th, 1903, instead of July 28th, as in the report, and that the site be selected from the following city property: Lot 1, block 70; lot 318, Yates street, and the waterworks lot, corner Chambers street and Pandora avenue.

—Decorative Goods, etc., as Xmas presents, Liberty Curtains, Covers and Cushion Tops. High grade and medium grade Lace Curtains, Lace Bedspreads, Table Damask, etc., Weiler Bros. (second floor.)

Hon. A. B. Morine, leader of the opposition in Newfoundland, says the Hay-Bond treaty was an important factor in the recent elections in that colony, and that the treaty is not popular with the people. He thinks that the ratification of the treaty would materially affect trade with Canada.

Mrs. Laura L. Barnes, Washington, D. C., Ladies Auxiliary to Burnside Post, No. 4, G. A. R., recommends Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"In diseases that come to women only, as a rule, the doctor is called in, sometimes several doctors, but still matters go from bad to worse; but I have never known of a case of female weakness which was not helped when **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** was used faithfully. For young women who are subject to headaches, backache, irregular or painful periods, and nervous attacks due to the severe strain on the system by some organic trouble, and for women of advanced years in the most trying time of life, it serves to correct every trouble and restore a healthy action of all organs of the body.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

COLLIE PUP—A well bred collie dog pup wanted. Address, with particulars, "Collie," Times Office.

FOR SALE—Pedigree English setter dog, 2 years old; well broken. 347 Chatham St.

TO RENT—Furnished rooms; rent low; electric light; use of kitchen and bathroom. Apply Mrs. Turner, Fort street.

LOST—Gold-rimmed nose glasses, on Yates, Douglas, Kane or Fort; reward. "Times."

FOR SALE—1,000 to 5,000 shares in Mounts Sicker and Brenton mines at 6 cents per share. Address "No. 18," Times Office.

WANTED—A draughtsman, at once. Apply to Letson & Burpee, Vancouver, B.C.

LOST—Near Belmont avenue, on evening of Dec. 9th, a lady's neck fur; black, with tips. Finder please leave it at McDonald's Grocery, or Times Office.

BIRTH.

EDWARDS—At Fairview, Vancouver, on Dec. 8th, the wife of William Edwards, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

M'DONALD-WARD—At Vancouver, on Dec. 9th, by Rev. R. G. MacBeth, P. McDonald and Miss Bertha Ward.

DIED.

LANG—On the 9th inst., at the Royal Jubilee hospital, Ida, the beloved wife of Richard Lang, aged 44 years, a native of Helsingburg, Sweden.
The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2 p. m. from the family residence, Sumas street.
entitled to it.

PERSONAL.

J. Tymen, a mining prospector, reports having made some important strikes on Skirt mountain, in the vicinity of Goldstream. He has taken up a number of claims, among which are the Little Nell, the Bengal Tiger and the North Star. Mining engineers have examined the properties and in every case made very favorable reports. The Little Nell, he says, is especially promising. Assays of samples of ore taken from this property have gone as high as $7.80 in gold, $2.60 in silver and $13 in copper. The lead is well defined and about 50 feet wide. Mr. Tymen, in conversation with a Times representative, said: "I am surprised to find that such a rich mineral belt has laid dormant for so long. This is explained in a measure no doubt by the fact that miners have had their attention directed more towards the Yukon than to the deposits at their very doors. There is a network of promising leads running through Mount Skirt for a radius of a mile. Where it comes to the surface in certain places big blow-outs of iron and hematite, with gold, copper and silver, are found. I started prospecting in the vicinity of Goldstream four months ago, and located several claims. The North Star was one of the first taken up, and a little development work showed it to be in every way up to my expectations." Continuing, he said a half interest in this claim was sold to James Templeton. Work on this property has been progressing steadily and there is now a tunnel driven into the lead for about 20 feet. Assays of the ore have shown it to run as high as $15 to the ton. About six weeks ago Mr. Tymen located the Bengal Tiger and Little Nell, which are on the same lead. He has also taken up another claim, the Little Pittsburg, which is as promising a property as any. Mr. Tymen has travelled over Mexico, South Africa and Alaska, and has never seen a more promising mineral district than Vancouver Island. He predicts that before seven years have passed Victoria will be the centre of one of the most prosperous mining districts on the Coast.

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Several honeymoon parties are staying at the Dominion hotel. Included among these are P. McDonald and wife, of Thurlow, who were married at Vancouver a few days ago. Mrs. McDonald is a daughter of John Ward, of Shoal Bay. F. A. Wood and wife, of Seattle, and Frank Shaw and wife, of Bay View, are also spending their honeymoon here.

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Capt. A. Wasson and Mrs. Wasson, of Sacramento, are registered at the Victoria hotel. Mr. Wasson has a large interest in the Key City mining property of Mount Sicker, and is here for the purpose of looking after business in connection with the operation of that mine. Capt. and Mrs. Wasson will spend a week or so here.

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Mrs. J. W. Spring, of Rossland, arrived on the Majestic last evening on a visit to her mother, Mrs. D. Stephen, of this city. Mrs. Spring expects to spend a few months in the city before returning to Rossland.

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Thos. Kiddie, manager of the Tyee smelter, at Ladysmith, is at the Vernon. He is here in connection with the examination for assayers' certificates which is now being conducted.

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John Kane, of Denver Colo., and C. Peters, of Vancouver, are among the commercial men paying this city a business visit. They are registered at the Victoria hotel.

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D. G. Macdonell, Jas. Gallagher, Norman McLean, R. M. Edgar, Jas. Reid and B. W. Greer, of Vancouver, arrived last evening and are staying at the Driard.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Conway, of Chemainus, are among the guests at the Victoria hotel. They will spend some days in the city.

Percy Purvis, Salt Spring; R. W. Riblet, Nelson; and Alex. Cruickshank, New Westminster, are at the Dominion.

John Taylor, of Deloraine, Man., arrived last evening on a visit to his son, W. J. Taylor, of this city.

Sam. Hadlock, whose name has been given to Port Hadlock, Wash., is at the Dominion.

J. H. Greer returned last evening from a business trip to the Sound.

W. R. Robertson, Indian agent at Duncans, is at the Victoria.

TORONTO MINING EXCHANGE.

(Furnished by the Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd., Successors to A. W. More & Co., Ltd., Mining Brokers, 23 Broad St.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—The following were the closing quotations on the Mining Exchange to-day:

	Asked.	Bid.
Black Tail	9½	7½
Canadian G. F. S.	4	3
Cariboo McKinney	18	16
Cariboo Hydraulic	75	..
Centre Star	38	35
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	$4.00	..
Fairview Corp.	4½	3½
Golden Crown	5	..
Giant	5	3
Granby Smelter	$3.75	$3.20
Iron Mask	9	..
Lone Pine—Surprise Con.	5¼	4
Morning Glory	3	..
Morrison	3	..
Mountain Lion	18	12
North Star	12½	10
Payne	12	10
Rambler Cariboo Con.	35	20
Republic	8	6
Sullivan	6	3
Virtue	8	5
War Eagle Con.	19½	17
White Bear	2½	..
Winnipeg	4	..
Wonderful	4	..
Dom. Cons.	3½	2½
St. Eugene	22	15

Toronto Sales To-Day.

North Star—2,000 at 11.
War Eagle—1,500 at 19.

Rossland Sales Yesterday.

Centre Star—1,000 at 36½; 500 at 36¼.
Mountain Lion—2,000 at 12.
Payne—1,500 at 9½.
Tom Thumb—1,000 at 6.
Giant—1,000 at 2¾.

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On Saturday Morning, Dec. 13th, Simultaneously in Victoria and Vancouver, there will be placed for the first time on the Market

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It will be be on sale in all first class Grocery Stores.

In a way, **Caswell's "Cheeseloaf"** is not a new product—rather the result of an improvement upon old methods—that's all.

The improvement gives you a better article for less money.

The makers of **Caswell's "Cheeseloaf"** are men of long Cheese-experien

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